McKinney Weekly Democrat-Gazette

ESTABLISHED FEBRUARY 7, 1884. McKINNEY, TEXAS, THURSDAY, DEC. 30, 1926 14 PAGES IN 2 SECTIONS. FORTY-THIRD YEAR.

GIVE POLICY IN NICARAGUA

Claim Banker Was Proposed Plot Victim

Rush Is Over at the Post Office; Have Housecleaning Now

There are very few leftover packages, letters and cards from Christmas, according to officials and employes of the local post office.

Usually there is a doll peeping from a parcel, where a little girl cannot be located, and numerous socks, ties, etc., incorrectly labeled, that do not find an owner on Christmas day, but this yuletide there were very few signs left to remind the post office force that Christmas had come and gone.

Monday morning a general house cleaning was taken at the post office and everything was back to normalcy, in fact, one would never know by passing through any department that there had ever been a Christmas rush.

DENTON EDUCATOR FORMER FARM BOY OF COLLIN COUNTY

Prof. Charles L. Caldwell, A. M., teacher in the Demonstration department of the Texas State Teachers college at Denton, and young wife have returned to Denton after a sad mission to his old home at Climax, twelve miles east of McKinney, to attend the last illness of his father the late R. D. Caldwell, merchant at that place who died Dec. 22. Prof. Caldwell was married on the sixth of last June to Miss Ethel-een Doyle of Fife, McCullough, county, Texas.

We met Prof. Caldwell while in our city as he was returning to Denton. He took his B. A. degree from the State Teachers' college at Denton and his A. M. degree in the University of Colorado at Boulder. He has taught in two summer schools in the Colorado State university. In fact, he spent his honeymoon there this year and taught during the summer months. He was born and reared on a farm in the Climax community. He had an undaunted ambition for a college education which he obtained largely through his own efforts and perseverance. He is one of the best educated young men of our section of the state. We predict a future of constantly enlarging usefulness and honor for him.

DENTON MAN OWNER OF UNIQUE WEAPON

Denton, Texas., Dec. 29.—A unique weapon is in possession of J. C. Parr, aged Confederate veteran of Denton, which has been in possession of the family for 150 years, and is now owned by the third generation. It is a spear cane which was originally owned by Parr's great-grandfather, Captain Alexander Crofford of the Revolutionary army.

The cane descended from Captain Crofford to his son, Alexander C. Crawford, who was wounded in the battle of New Orleans in the war of 1812. The cane was inherited at his death by his son, Josephus Crawford, uncle of Parr, who made his home with his nephew here and bequeathed it to him at his death in the late 80's. The cane is of palmetto wood and has concealed in it a 32-inch blade of tempered steel.

GOVERNOR FERGUSON APPOINTS THREE WOMEN

Austin, Texas, Dec. 29.—Gov. Miriam A. Ferguson Tuesday appointed Mrs. J. B. Kennard, Mrs. Sue L. Houston and Mrs. Ed M. Sweeney, all of Gonzales, commissioners for the Gonzales State park.

CONSPIRACY CHARGES FOR 4 IN KIDNAPING

RANSOM OF $100,000 WAS TO BE THE SUM SOUGHT FOR RELEASE.

San Antonio, Texas, Dec. 29.—Charged with conspiracy to kidnap Dan Sullivan, San Antonio millionaire banker, the sheriff's office have arrested four men, Clyde Jennings, John Adams, Tom Stanley and William Kemp, who, according to the sheriff, had planned to kidnap the banker Christmas day.

Two of the men have made statements before Lee Johnson, investigator for District Attorney C. M. Chambers.

The complaints charged that the four defendants conspired to kidnap Sullivan and hold him for $100,000 ransom.

According to statements made before the officers ,the plot was to kidnap Sullivan Christmas night by setting fire to his garage. It was believed Sullivan would leave his home when the fire was discovered and was to have been seized, placed in an automobile and taken away and held until the ransom was paid.

FARMERSVILLE MAN BELIEVES IN DIVERSIFICATION

Sam Montgomery of the Copeville community, paid us a visit on Monday. Sam is one of the real dirt farmers of East Collin, and while talking to him we found that he believes in the gospel we have been preaching for many years—the gospel of "living at home." As Sam puts it—"I have always made it my first business to raise the living for my own family first; and if all our farmers would adopt that system, we wouldn't ever hear much about hard times." Montgomery raises his own wheat for bread; enough meat to supply his large family during the year and plenty of feed crops to feed his herd of milk cows and work animals. He has this year seven 300-pound hogs to kill for meat; and Mrs. Montgomery has not been idle during the fruit and vegetable season, as she has put up over 900 cans of fruit and vegetables for the coming year. Such farmers as Montgomery are proving that East Collin can be prosperous most any year—and it won't be long now till a majority of our farmers will adopt the "live-at-home" plan instead of trying to raise enough 10c cotton to pay all expenses.—Farmersville Times.

Mr. and Mrs. Louis Christie have returned to their home in Wichita Falls, after spending the holidays in home of Mrs. Christie's parents, Mr. and Mrs. R. A. Moore in this city.

FLOOD WATERS CLAIM THIRTEEN LIVES; LITTLE RELIEF IN SIGHT FROM FLOODS SWEEPING THE STATE OF TENNESSEE

Nashville Tenn., Dec. 29.—Little relief was in sight today from the floods that have claimed thirteen lives driven thousands from their homes and destroyed property valued at millions in the South.

While principal officials the Red Cross and American Legion volunteers cared for homeless and destitute families in the stricken areas warnings of continued flood conditions were issued from the Weather Bureau.

Freezing weather that will slow up the discharge of waters from the hills into the Cumberland Valley was said to be the main hope of checking the rise quickly and permitting the swollen river to return to its normal channel.

While the heaviest property damage was believed to have been suffered at Nashville where crops, merchandise and household goods valued at millions have been destroyed, the greatest death toll is believed to have been taken in Arkansas.

Six persons are reported to have been drowned in Arkansas, five in Mississippi an dtwo in Tennessee.

J. B. GILES, HONORED COLLIN RESIDENT

J. B. Giles, honored old pioneer citizen of the Chambersville community, was a business visitor in McKinney Tuesday and gave this office a pleasant call, renewing for the Weekly Democrat-Gazette and Semi-Weekly Farm News, at clubbing rates.

Mr. Giles has lived in the Chambersville community for more than forty years and says only two of the old-timers that lived in the community when he moved there are still living in that section. They are Lewis Ganey and Mrs. Jack Watson.

Mr. Giles is a substantial farmer, having made a success of the trade during the forty years he has resided in Chambersville. His son, Benjamin Franklin Giles, is engaged in farming with his father.

WE THANK YOU.

This is the last issue of the Weekly Democrat-Gazette for 1926—For forty-three years the paper has been going to its thousands of readers each and every week, never missing an issue. This is a wonderful record. We thank one and all for the liberal patronage for 1926, and wish for everyone a happy, prosperous and helpful New Year, 1927.

PERKINS & WILSON,
Publishers.

CONSULT YOUR COUNTY AGENT ABOUT CROPS

A farm program for 1927 should be mapped out and worked to:

◆ ◆ ◆

Live at Home Letters.

(Issued by the Agricultural department, Southern Pacific lines and distributed by bankers. Compiled from experiences of farmers, statements of bankers, A. & M. college authorities, county agents and others. Address all communications to Live-at-Home Letters, 418 Southern Pacific Bldg., Houston, Texas.)

Having in mind usual conditions, D. C. Giddings a banker of Brenham, Texas, since 1867, recently said that "If a farmer lives at home you can't break him."

That was a very strong statement but it was verified by more than seventy bankers of eastern Texas and they added that the live-at-home farmers seldom mortgage their crops and most of them have money in the bank or loaned to others.

If Live-at-Home methods in eastern Texas enables several farmers in every county to make crops without borrowing and helps them to keep money in banks, or, have some loaned to others, then these Live-at-Home methods might be worth thinking about.

What is meant by living-at-home? Doing all or at least, most of the following things:

1. Growing enough feed crops for all farm livestock.
2. Having enough hogs to make home meat.
3. Having enough chickens to supply home needs.
4. Having enough cows to supply milk and butter.
5. Having a good home garden.

Nothing is said about any of these things being "money" crops. They are only referred to for home use, though there is just as good and dependable a market for eggs, chickens, turkeys, butter fat and hogs, as there is for cotton, and a little surplus of these things will buy sugar, coffee, flour and perhaps—clothing.

Will this pay? T. J. Caldwell, vice-president of the Union National bank of Houston, recently said that the farmers of Texas spend around four hundred millions of dollars yearly for foods, feeds and supplies. He added that it would take more than a five million bale crop at 15 cents to pay this. Here are the figures:

Farmers' yearly feed, food and supply bill (Est.)	$400,000,000
Cotton crop 5,000,000 bales at 15 cents	375,000,000
Estimated deficit	$ 25,000,000

If farmer's feeds, foods and supplies were grown on the farm, instead of raised out of a crop mortgage, there would be three hundred seventy five million dollars belonging to the farmers to do with as they choose, instead of a loss of twenty-five million dollars, which may be a chief cause of increasing tenantry, mortgages on mules and farm implements.

One of the finest things about living-at-home is that there isn't any crop mortgage and the living expenses have already been paid, so a "cash crop" isn't so much of an absolute necessity but becomes, a means for making improvements, getting more land, educating children, or laying by something for a rainy day.

Now is the time to plan out things for the year. Talk to your county agent about it, or, with your banker.

W. M. Duncan of Tulsa, Okla., is the guest of his sister, Mrs. John White in this city.

PIONEER WOMAN DIED IN TYLER

Mrs. D. A. Price of Tyler, mother of Mrs. Ben Millikin, of McKinney, recently died at her home in that city.

The late Mrs. Price arrived in Tyler with her parents in 1851, after a six weeks journey in an ox wagon from Georgia, and camped for a time in a thicket where the court house plaza is now located. She was past eighty years old and died at the home of her granddaughter, Mrs. John Campbell at the Tyler hotel.

Mrs. Price was the oldest pioneer of Smith county. She had lived in the city of Tyler for seventy-five years. The deceased is survived by four sons, Tom Knight of Allen; John Knight of Canyon, Texas; Homer Price, Dallas, and Walter Price of Galveston and one daughter, Mrs. Ben Millikin of McKinney.

McKinney Volunteer Firemen Were Given Annual Christmas Banquet Here Tuesday Night

McKinney Volunteer Firemen were honored with an annual Chirstmas banquet served in the dining room of the First Christian church at 6:30 o'clock Tuesday evening Dec. 28. Ladies of the various churches of the city, under the leadership of Mrs. F. M. Warden, furnished the banquet free and most graciously served it in honor of our gallant volunteer firemen together with local pastors of the various churches and members of the city press.

◆ ◆ ◆

Chief McKinney Toastmaster.

Chief John S. McKinney presided as toastmaster. The feast was spread on one long table which was loaded with the most delectable food in great quantity. The firemen and their guests filled almost every seat available and ate with a relish what the good women of the various churches of our city so generously served them. Chief McKinney called on Dr. C. S Weaver for the invocation.

◆ ◆ ◆

Interesting Program.

At the close of the feast the toastmaster in a brief introductory talk told of the inception of these annual banquet events. He gave due credit to Mrs. F. M. Warden Mrs. S. P. Coffey and to the late Dr. E. E. King the beloved pastor of the First Baptist church for 20 years, for starting the annual custom of complimenting the fire-boys who serve our city most efficiently without salary or financial reward. He called attention to the good equipment of the department and to the loyalty and efficiency of the fire boys in their unselfish work which means a great money saving in the aggregate to the city in the way of lower fire insurance rates and greater protection from the fire demon.

Chief McKinney then called for brief talks by the following gentlemen: Mayor Tom W. Perkins; First Assistant Chief, Isaac Crouch; Second Assistant Chief, John Moore; Editor Walter B. Wilson, Rev. J. A. Old, Rev. J. Ben Snider, Dr. M. E Hudson, Dr. Charles W. Estes, Rev. Benjamin Bean, Rev. Clifford S. Weaver and Giles McKinney.

At the conclusion of the program which was interspersed by orchestral music, the ladies were invited into the banquet hall and spoke through their leader, Mrs. F. M. Warden, who expressed the delight of herself and the good women of all the churches in providing the banquet, cooking and serving it. She made acknowledgements to A. J. Commons, the produce man for donating the turkey. Every fire boy loves "Aunt Candy" Warden and she reciprocates their high regard.

The orchestra known as the "Wild Rose" orchestra which kindly offered their services as a compliment free of cost for the fire boys, is composed of Miss Inez Lackey, pianist; Marshall Goddard, trumpet; James Bullock, saxaphone; Lewis Jackson, drum; Gibson Harris, saxaphone.

◆ ◆ ◆

Sent In Regrets.

City Commissioners M. T. Jones and W. J. Rhea were unavoidable absent. Chief McKinney delivered their regrets to his brother firemen.

Mayor Perkins and these city commissioners lend cordial co-operation to the fire department in their work. The fire boys publicly expressed their appreciation for these and all other encouragements.

The occasion was one of the most enjoyable banquets in the history of the McKinney Fire department. Gratitude, good will and wit reigned supreme and our gallant volunteer firemen who belong to the best families of our city, went away feeling that their sacrifices to unselfishly serve our citizenship, are not altogether without reward and due appreciation.

CHAMBER COMMERCE DIRECTORS FINAL MEETING OF YEAR

The last monthly meeting of the board of directors of the Chamber of Commerce will be held at 3 o'clock Friday afternoon Dec. 31. President Gibson Caldwell of that organization is very much interested in having a full attendance of the directors present as matters of the old year will be brought to a close as far as possible and consideration will be given to organization activities for the new year. Matters and measures affecting the welfare of our city for 1927 will also be considered. Suggestions for new activities and new movements will be gladly received by President Caldwell and Secretary C. W. Smith.

McKinney is a highly favored little city, located in the center of what is considered to be the best agricultural county of all the 254 counties of Texas. We also have many industrial enterprises and factories, but should have more of them. We have good streets, good roads, first class sanitary conditions and abundance of the purest of water, good schools, good churches, all modern city advantages with ideal living conditions. Therefore, President Caldwell says there is no reason on earth why McKinney should not continue to go forward next year as she has never done before. He calls on his brother business men, as well as all professional men and other lines of citizenship to stay behind the Chamber of Commerce in its ambitions to put McKinney on the map in a real "going way" throughout 1927.

The Chamber of Commerce is on the job every day in the year. It has accomplished much for our city in the past. It is capable of doing still greater things during the new year that is just dawning upon us. These editors and papers are hundred per cent for the Chamber of Commerce in its efforts to help McKinney grow and every line of business prosper and grow. We are helping ourselves with such an organization.

M. J. Williamson, scout executive, was a business visitor in Dallas Wednesday.

DR. T. O. PERRIN ADDRESSED LIONS CLUB WEDNESDAY

The Lions club enjoyed a splendid lecture Wednesday noon at the First Methodist church when Dr. T. O. Perrin pastor of the Westminster Presbyterian church of Dallas spoke. He gave an address on "The Jolly Earthquake," and it was inspiring and heartening to the Lions, who are among McKinney's leading business men as they are about to enter the New Year.

Forget your business cares when you go home and light your face with a smile the minister advised his hearers. You business men learn to meet your patrons with a smile and you will profit by increased business and you and your customer will feel better, he said. He told the story of visiting a market place once to buy some potatoes. After receiving nothing but an unpleasant look and a gruff voice in response to his queries about the price of potatoes he inspected, he went on to another place and was met by a saleslady who was so courteous and pleasant in dealing with him, he bought all the potatoes she had. "When those potatoes were prepared and placed on the table their eyes seemed to beam good cheer and even tasted better," the speaker said.

The speaker related many other stories illustrating his points.

Laughter is the panacea for every ill, he said. He told the story of a man who lay on a sick bed whose life had all but ebbed away. The doctor visited him, told him a few good stories and soon the sick man was on the road to recovery. This was many years ago. Only a few years ago, Dr. Perrin said he had a letter from the man who said he was in splendid health and enjoying life.

Guests of the day included Ira Anderson, guest of H. A. Finch Jr.; J. M. Foster, guest of Carl Gallagher, and Dr. T. O. Perrin, Dallas, guest of the club.

The program was in charge of Lion Charles W. Graves and Abb Old.

Next week Lions W. R. Mathers and J. T. Couch will provide the program.

A. G. Bryant and son Donald D. of Anna transacted business in McKinney Tuesday. The Messrs. Bryant say that less farm work has been done today in their section perhaps than for a number of years, at this season of the year. Wet weather has kept farmers out of the fields and kept them from finishing up gathering crops and doing winter plowing.

59,376 BALES OF COTTON GINNED IN COUNTY TO DEC. 13

A total of 59,376 bales of cotton had been ginned in Collin county prior to Dec. 13, of this year, according to Collin County Cotton Statistician I. R. Dillow, who also announced that on the same date last year 90,834 bales had been ginned. The crop this year was cut short by the large rains, late season and insect pests. Collin led all other counties in production of the fleecy staple last year. The report will be out about the middle of January, Mr. Dillow said.

COMMANDERY OF CITY INSTALLED NEW OFFICERS

The McKinney commandery held an important meeting Tuesday night at which time the following officers were installed: A. B. Williams, eminent commander; R. L. Brockman, generalissimo; W. H. Hamilton, captain general; B. Frank Skelton, senior warden; W. I. Bryan, junior warden; Will J. Rhea, prelate; Titus Furr, treasurer; A. Blaine Smith, recorder; W. P. Bogan, standard bearer; T. O. Murray, sword bearer; R. J. Osborne, warder; Edward Finch, sentinel.

C. J. Hunter, retiring commander acted as marshall and Willie Brown assisted in installing the officers.

T. M. Bartley, grand standard bearer, visited the McKinney commandery a short time ago on an inspection trip and spoke in high terms of the local commandery. Local officials expressed their opinion that many new degrees would be conferred during 1927, and stated that the outlook of the commandery was exceedingly bright.

DAUGHTER W. H. PERKINS DIES IN CALIFORNIA

W. B. (Wesley) Perkins, a well-known farmer living three miles south of McKinney, received a telegram announcing the death of his niece, formerly Miss Julia Elmira Perkins, on December 23, at her late home at Ontario, Cal. The deceased was about 23 years old and married. She is survived by her husband, her parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. H. (Henry) Perkins of Ontario, Cal. and by one sister and two brothers. Her sister, formerly Waldine Perkins, is now living in Oklahoma City. Her brothers are Leland Perkins of Ontario, Cal. and Cyrus Perkins, Fresno, Cal. The deceased young woman was preceded to the grave by another sister, Elsie, who died six years ago.

W. H. Perkins and family formerly lived south of town where they owned the Perkins nursery before moving to California, twelve or fourteen years ago. The deceased was born at the family home just south of McKinney. She was also a niece of Mrs. W. L. Yarbrough and of Lee and Walter Hedgcoxe, all of this city.

Jim P. Dowell, who is buying cotton at Carlsbad, N. M., spent the Christmas holidays with his family here and in the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Willis R. Dowell.

WHITE HOUSE SPOKESMAN SAYS FOR PROTECTION

U. S. IS TAKING NO HAND IN ROW FOR CONTROL OF COUNTRY.

Washington, D. C., Dec. 29.—The White House Tuesday made explanations of its policy in the Nicaraguan trouble, and defined more sharply controversy points between the administration and its critics.

Replying directly to some of the protests against the landing of American forces on Nicaraguan soil, the White House spokesman declared the United States had no other object than protection of American life and property, and was taking no hand as between the two Nicaraguan factions who are contending for control of the country.

Later in the day Secretary Kellogg of the State department and Secretary Wilbur of the Navy went hurriedly to the White House where they remained closeted for a long time with Presiden Coolidge. The development set in motion many reports of important developments in the embattled little Central American republic, but when the conference was over, the White House and Mr. Wilbur remained silent while Secretary Kellogg said the conversation had related to China.

D. W. O'BRIEN 87 YEARS OLD CHRISTMAS DAY

One of the most active men of his age, who ever lived in McKinney, is our fellow townsman, David W. O'Brien, who reached his eighty-seventh milestone in life on Christmas day. Mr. O'Brien is a veteran retired farmer of this country, who still owns a large body of farm land in Northwest Collin besides land in other parts of the state.

He made a success of farming and retired from active business several years ago, buying a home in McKinney where he has since resided. He and his good wife were the guests of his daughter, Mrs. Fred Emerson and husband for his birthday on Christmas day. Uncle Dave is hale and hearty, his mind is bright and his disposition is as jovial and jolly as ever. He is a favorite in the company of his friends and acquaintances and is still the life of the crowd. He is an active member of the First Christian church. These editors are hoping that Uncle Dave may remain among us at least long enough to celebrate his one hundredth Christmas birthday anniversary. He makes the world brighter. We like him.

A. M. Brock, who had the misfortune of having both legs broken in an automobile accident recently, was reported to be getting along nicely at the City hospital Tuesday. Both legs were broken just above the ankle. At first it was feared that it would be necessary to amputate his right leg on account of it being badly crushed but it is now believed that the limb will be saved. Mr. Brock is a motorman on the interurban.

BUSINESS CHANGE IN M'KINNEY JAN. 1; L. V. GRAVES TO TURN OVER MANAGEMENT OF STORE TO HIS SON AND JIM RAMSEY

An important business change takes place in the business circles in McKinney next Saturday, Jan. 1, when L. V. (Vernie) Graves, retires from the active, personal management of L. V. Graves & Co., long recognized as one of the outstanding dry goods businesses in the city.

For thirty-five years Vernie Graves has been engaged in the selling of dry goods in this city—the past twelve years at the head of the big firm of L. V. Graves & Co. Probably no man has worked harder, has more friends or has as strong a personal following as Mr. Graves. He is a native of the county, and there is not a finer, squarer man in this section.

Mr. Graves retires from the active management of the big business which he has long worked to build uy. He turns the entire business over to his young son, Lewis Graves, "really and truly a chip off the old block," and to Jim Ramsey, for eight years with L. V. Graves & Co. Lewis and Jim will have complete, personal charge of the big business, having acquired an interest in the establishment. Vernie as his old friends call him, "will hang 'round and help sweep out," but positively will not manage the business.

Mr. Graves turns his well-built up business over to two mighty fine and well-liked young men—Lewis Graves and Jim Ramsey. They have learned the business from "A to Z" are enterprising, well-liked and we opine will go "right along and deliver the goods," so to speak.

The new management announces that they will go strictly on a cash basis—charging nothing to any one, and, when the goods leave the house, they will have the cash in the cash drawer.

Weekly Democrat-Gazette

PUBLISHED EVERY THURSDAY

TOM W. PERKINS WALTER B. WILSON
Editors, Publishers and Proprietors

Also Publishers Daily Courier-Gazette.
Established March 4, 1897.

Greenberry Adams, Circulation and Assistant Business Manager.

Entered as Second-Class Mail Matter.

To Weekly Subscribers—The date printed opposite your name on the margin of the paper or on the wrapper indicates the time to which your subscription is paid. All subscriptions expire on the first of the month. Any subscriber not receiving the paper regularly, please notify us.

One year in advance	$1.50
Six months in advance	.85
Three months in advance	.50

DAILY SUBSCRIPTION RATES.
Daily By Carrier.

One month	$ .60
Three months in advance	1.50
Six months in advance	3.00
One year in advance	6.00

Daily By Mail.

One month	$ .50
Three months in advance	1.25
Six months in advance	2.50
One year in advance	5.00

Both Local and Long Distance PHONES 65.

SPECIAL WEEKLY REPRESENTATIVES:
Texas Press Weeklies, Inc., 613 Mercantile Bank Bldg., Dallas, Texas.

McKinney, Texas.

Enthusiasm is very good lubrication for the mind.

The surest test of a square deal is that both parties are satisfied.

It's easy enough to "do a fellow up brown" if he's already "half-baked."

If "riches have wings," they are used mostly in going instead of coming.

Eventually men may agree on everything except the definition of being good.

Man is endowed by his Creator with certain inalienable rights; try and get 'em.

The treasury of the Chinese government is empty. At last China is a regular republic.

Don't let a day of the new year pass without some boosting word for your city and county.

Putting curtains up on the car is often done for the same reason they are put down at home.

Let one of your New Year's resolutions be to go to some church in the city each Sunday.

Let's raise more turkeys next year. Turkey producers have lots of Christmas money this year.

It's the booster who always gets the "breaks" in life; he makes them, however, and they just don't naturally fall to him.

Come to McKinney, where every kind of weather imaginable is liable to be experienced within the short space of a few hours.

Doing all the good you can will keep you busy, make you forget many of your cares and woes and will make you happier all day long.

A Chicago judge has decided that the air is not a free common. The best we can hope for is that it will be thrown in with 10 gallons of gasoline.

If one had ordered it, the weather could not have been more enjoyable than that he had Christmas. We are grateful to Santa for bringing the beautiful snow with him.

Recently there was celebrated the one hundredth anniversary of vaudeville. One is prone to think sometimes that some of the jokes going the rounds are much older than that.

"The Goldfish has been robbed of all its privacy because it is beautiful," says the Chicago Journal of Commerce. "There you have the explanation of the rest of us" one can imagine the ladies of the chorus chanting.

Now that the Pullman company has arranged to have the real names of porters posted in the cars in which they are working, it would be interesting if some statistician would check up and see if any of them really are named George.

So many automobile accidents of late, remind us that it is so easy to have a terrible accident so quick. These accidents occurring so frequently should remind automobilists to be careful as well as pedestrians. After an accident occurs, it is too late to be sorry. The thing to do is to take every precaution before hand. Many an accident is unavoidable, it is true, but those which can be avoided are worth every precaution. Let's think about it when we have our hands at the wheel and when we are walking on the streets where automobiles and other vehicles have the right of way.

Perhaps it will never be explained why hotel men are called bonifaces when so many of them give the appearance of being well fed. —Dallas Journal.

Our pessimistic friend says about the meanest feeling a man can have is to have an all-round row with his wife and find out later that she was right about it.—Mineral Wells Index.

Every day we read where some foreign country is experiencing some trouble of various and sundry kinds. As for us, we don't even have any desire to travel abroad. We're content right here in old McKinney, Texas, U. S. A.

Now is the time of year when the business man should not let business cares depress him too much. We all have worries and cares. Buckling down to our work and trying to do a little better will do a lot toward driving away and banishing blues and worrying.

The things that have been said about Grayson county roads during the past summer will sound like compliments by the side of what is yet to come during the wet days of winter months. How long, oh how long, will our otherwise great county tolerate such a deplorable condition?—Sherman Democrat.

Old Santa Claus was a pretty good old chap, after all. We didn't think he'd get around to us this year, but he came, as usual, and brought us several articles that we really needed. As for us, we're not the kind to complain about getting such things as socks and ties; for if we didn't get them as gifts, we'd never buy them for ourselves, ever thinking that they will last just a little longer.

IS MONEY MORE THAN LIFE?

A youth, aged 19, was given a 3-year sentence in Shreveport the other day for passing a forged check for $10. The same day a man was turned scot free who was charged with driving an auto while intoxicated. The evidence showed that he recklessly drove into a car that was parked on the side of the street, that the car was overturned, its occupants injured, that the drunken man failed to stop, that he was captured after being chased several blocks, that all the occupants of his car were more or less intoxicated and that several policemen testified to his being drunk when taken to the station.

The same thing happens in all other courts. It is true here in Marshall we have raised the size of the fines we assess against drunken drivers from $25 to $50 and occasionally to as much as $100. We, however, usually give the forger a penitentiary sentence. And the News is not complaining that we do.

But the point is this: Who is the greater menace to society, the man who gets away with somebody for a few dollars on a bad check or the man who fills his hide with mean liquor and takes on those streets or highways? In dangering the lives of everyone on these streets or highways? In other words, do we put the loss of money above the loss of life? It would seem we do from the way justice works out in the court house.—Marshall News.—Ennis Weekly Local.

MARRIAGE.

The last decade has seen such prodigious changes in our social structure that many persons are beginning to believe that marriage as we now know it is an outworn institution, so to be tossed on the universal scrap heap. Certainly the rising tide of divorce would seem to support this belief.

But the women of today are human beings, possessing brains as well as ankles. The silly mystery of sex used for so long as an enticing veil, has been torn away. The would-be husband no longer pretends on bended knee that his inamorata is an angel out of heaven, immeasurably too good for him to be turned in a year into a household drudge. Nor does the blushing bride pretend that she has bever been kissed and faint away if some one mentions the possibility of children.

When marriages are more intelligently entered into, when the basis is no longer a purely commercial one, few of them will turn out to be failures. The professional alimony collectors will go out of business. Men and women seeking mental and physical companionship will pick their mates with less regard for financial qualifications, more for those which make good fathers and mothers, good husbands and wives. That is what marriage should be—and will be in the future.—Albuquerque Journal.—Ennis Weekly Local.

Let the classified ad work for you while you sleep.

Daily Lessons In English

By W. L. Gordon.

Tuesday, December 28.

Words Often Misused: There is no such word as "alright." Correct form is "all right" (two words.)

Often Mispronounced: Indict. Pronounce in-dit, last i as in "ice." Accent last syllable.

Often Misspelled: Conscience.

Synonyms: Fear, dread, horror, apprehension, terror, fright, trepidation, panic.

Word Study: "Use a word three times and it is yours." Let us increase our vocabulary by mastering one word each day. Today's word: Herculean: pertaining to Hercules, the hero of Grecian mythology, possessed of superhuman strength. "It required herculean force to subdue them."

Wednesday, December 29.

Words Often Misused: Don't say "her jewelry was beautiful." Say "her jewels were."

Often Mispronounced: Indisputable. Accent on second syllable is preferred.

Often Misspelled: Suspicion; cion.

Synonyms: Essential, important, indispensable, necessary, momentous, material, determining.

Word Study: "Use a word three times and it is yours." Let us increase our vocabulary by mastering one word each day. Today's word: Laceration; the act of rending or tearing; a harrowing of the feelings. "Her letter made my feelings undergo fresh laceration."

MISS BAGWILL VISITS QUEEN IN ST. LOUIS

Some time ago Miss Madolyn Bagwill, daughter of Rev. and Mrs. J. H. Bagwill of this city, received a comment on one of her articles, "Happiness," from her majesty, Queen Marie of Roumania; also two personally autographed pictures and a book entitled "The Voice on the Mountain."

Miss Bagwill received an invitation to meet the queen face to face during her sojourn at the Coronado hotel in St. Louis. This interview was to Miss Bagwill, one of the greatest, most treasured moments in her life, and she says that the queen is undoubtedly a "wonder woman," being not only a queen in station, but a queen in soul as well.—Chester (Ill.) Herald-Tribune.

The above clipping from the Chester (Ill.) Herald-Tribune, is of especial interest to McKinney people inas much as Miss Bagwill, above referred to, has relatives living here and also at Plano and Altoga and perhaps other parts of our county. Miss Madolyn Bagwill, who accepted the invitation to meet her majesty, Queen Marie of Roumania, on her recent visit in St. Louis, is a niece of Street Commissioner D. W. Bagwill of McKinney and a cousin of City Editor Don W. Bagwill of this paper and also a cousin of Editor Arthur A. Bagwill, owner and publisher of the Plano Star-Courier.

R. G. Wiseman of Amarillo is a guest of Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Martin, Mr. Wiseman and Mrs. Martin being brother and sister. Mr. Wiseman left McKinney twenty-one years ago, locating in Amarillo. He states that Amarillo is growing very fast, now claiming fifty thousand people. Mr. Wiseman's many friends are pleased to see him.

Look and Learn

BY A. C. GORDON.

Tuesday, Dec. 28.

1. What railroad has the most miles of track in the world?
2. Who is known as the "Orator of the Revolution?"
3. How much does a cubic foot of water weigh?
4. What was the greatest fleet of ships ever seen in European waters?
5. What country is the original modern republic of Europe.

Answers to Monday's Questions

1. Michigan, with 1,624 miles of water front on the great Lakes.
2. Phonetics.
3. Bethlehem.
4. Theodore Roosevelt.
5. 24 sheets.

Wednesday, Dec. 29.

1. What is the difference between a romance and a novel?
2. What is the birthstone of December?
3. In what direction does the earth rotate on its axis?
4. Who is the prince of Latin prose writers?
5. What state produces more iron ore than any other?

Answers to Tuesday's Questions

1. The Deutsche Reichsbahn Gesellschaft, with about 33,000 miles.
2. Patrick Henry.
3. 62½ pounds.
4. The "Spanish Armada" of 132 ships, bearing 32,000 men, defeated by the English in 1588.
5. Switzerland.

SUNSET MUSINGS

"Softly the evening came, The sun, from the western horizon, like a magician, extended its golden wand o'er the landscape."
—Longfellow.

By J. MARVIN NICHOLS,
Dallas, Texas

No. 43.

Insist on yourself; don't imitate.

However long the river flows, at last it will reach the open sea.

Haste often trips on its own heels.

Hold no ideals that are not possibilities. Otherwise you are a dreamer—a builder of castles in the air.

If you want a woman to admit your superior order of intelligence, you just admit that she knows more than you do.

It ought to inspire you—that no one but yourself can fill your destiny.

Jack London said there are just two kinds of men: The wonderers and the doers, the feelers and the thinkers, the emotionals and the intellectuals.

Have you just simply robbed him of his ideal? He may seem to forget about it; he may act the same toward you, but, oh, how little forgiveness counts when a star goes out!

He who is worthy of being called a man is unshaken in adversity, humble in prosperity, courageous in danger; and, if not learned, has at least a love for learning.

Men talk of the logic of events—here is the logic of events. Men talk of the Nemesis of history—here is the Nemesis of history. Everything that falls in with the supreme plan is forwarded and leads on to nobler and vaster issues. Everything which stands against that plan goes into silent decay under its awful impact. This is the Nemesis of history. This is the logic of events.

Did You Ever Stop To Think?

By
Edson R. Waite, Shawnee, Okla.

That the city that fails to encourage the business concerns it now has will fall way behind in the March of Progress.

That when business concerns fail to use every effort to increase their business in the home city and its trade territory, they are holding back its progress.

That merchants should show the people of their community by newspaper advertising that they can supply their every want.

That people appreciate the true merit of the home city as a trading center when the local concerns take interest enough to tell them what they have through the recognized shoppers guide—the newspapers.

That newspaper ads draw shoppers from other localities. Shoppers do not come to a city to buy one article, they usually buy many articles.

That out-of-town shoppers should receive extra attention.

Service, quality and price are the big attractions that bring them in to trade.

(Copyright 1926.)

Wednesday, Dec. 29.

That every time you take a chance you gamble.

That every time you take a chance you worry.

That every time you lose you can't regain it.

That you should not take chances, lose time or worry.

Read the ads and buy advertised goods.

That a cash business is best for all concerned.

That the seller can sell cheaper for cash.

That the buyer can buy cheaper for cash.

That credit is a service and a convenience, but it is an expense for all.

That all should think over the disadvantages of the credit system and the advantages of the cash system.

That your merchants are offering some very exceptional bargains at the present time. Read the ads!

That when you get more quality for your money you are really getting more goods.

That the advertisers make their ads plain and understandable.

That there are no "dark lantern tactics" used.

That they are clean from core to peel and will continue to be so.

You should study the advertisements. The longer you study advertised goods, the longer you investigate them, the stronger you turn the light of scrutiny upon them, the better you will like them.

(Copyright 1926.)

YESTERDAY'S IN TEXAS

Dec. 27, 1926.

1836—Stephen F. Austin, founder of the first American colonly in Texas and for whom the State capital is named, died. Born Nov. 8, 1793.

December 28, 1893—A block of stores in Hillsboro was burned with a loss of $275,000.

December 29, 1845—President Polk approved the act admitting Texas into the union.

EDITOR TOON AND FAMILY OF SANGER M'KINNEY VISITORS

Editor H. B. Toon, wife and three children, Wilson Toon and Misses Louise and Hazel, all of Sanger, Texas, spent a happy Christmas at the home of Mrs. Toon's mother, Mrs. Buck Wilson in McKinney. Mr. Toon owns and edits the Sanger Courier. His wife, who was formerly Miss Myrtle Wilson, helps him edit and publish his weekly newspaper, which is a good one. They are making a success of their paper and own their own brick office building and one of the very best residences in their substantial little city.

Editor Toon, at one time, worked for a five-year period for these editors. He is a young newspaper man of ability and energy. We are glad to chronicle his success in the field of journalism, for he richly deserves to succeed in life. His daughter, Miss Louise, is a senior in the College of Industrial Arts in Denton this year.

Browning Cromer of Memphis, Tenn., is the holiday guest of his grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Cromer in this city.

BUSINESS CHANGE

On and after January 1st, 1927, I am going to change the policy of this store, which is the third oldest grocery store in McKinney, at this time, to a cash bsais. It is known as the P. R. Westmoreland Grocery. Hereafter it will be known as the Buy Lo Cash Grocery, No. 2.

Due to the strong competition on cash basis, this will enable us to meet any competition. It will eliminate extra expense, by selling for cash only.

We are going to offer you the same quality, and same assortment of goods, free delivery and service as heretofore.

By the use of the Coupon Books, and cash deposits, we will be enabled to save you money, and that is what we are all trying to do.

Mr. Dean Tucker, whom it has been the pleasure for me to have in my employment for about fifteen years, since a small boy of twelve years of age, will be manager of the new Buy Lo Cash Grocery No. 2.

We wish to thank one and all for their business patronage and friendship we have enjoyed at both stores and hope our friendly relations will continue.

P. R. WESTMORELAND.

No. 1, Jesse Burton, Mgr. No. 2, Dean Tucker, Mgr.

1926—THANKS—1927

In the midst of the glad holidays we come with grateful hearts to express our gratitude to all our patrons and to wish each of you a brimful portion of happiness and contentment.

FLOYD PHILLIPS

PLUMBING, ELECTRICAL, RADIOS

Phone 80.

Monday, Jan. 3, 1927
We Will Be In Room 206
Up Stairs, Newsome Building

J. H. BALDWIN & CO.

BROKERS

E. FORREST MORROW, Mgr.

Cotton, Grain, Stocks, Bonds, Cotton Seed Oil, Provisions, Coffee, Sugar.

Private Wires to Chicago, New York and the South.

We Cash Your Government Bonds and Stocks.

Phones 771 and L. D. 7.

McKinney, Texas.

MAY THE CARGO OF 1927

Be loaded with rich treasures, chief among which will be good health and contentment for you.

Looking to the new year we are thinking and planning of how we can serve you better and we hope we may have the opportunity to demonstrate these ways to you.

WOODRUFF-JAMES

HARDWARE AND IMPLEMENTS

NUMBER OF NEW COUNTY OFFICIALS TO ASSUME DUTIES COLLIN COUNTY TEMPLE OF JUSTICE SATURDAY, JANUARY 1, 1927

On Saturday, Jan. 1, a number of new officials will take up their duduties at court house, others will retire and take up new work in various fields. Those going to the court house Saturday will likely see a number of new faces which they will be associated with during 1927 and 1928.

Those retiring have worked faithfully and untiringly and through their efforts, they have assisted in many of the accomplishments of the county. Several who are retiring Saturday have served as long as twelve or fourteen years, and they will be sincerely missed.

During 1927, plans will be under discussion for the remodeling of the court house. Attractive plans have already been drawn and are in the office of County Judge A. M. (Bert) Wolford. The plans provide more room and a modern court house in every particular. Not only do the plans provide for an attractive interior but the exterior is one that McKinney citizens would have every right to feel justly proud. A commodious rest room for Collin county women is especially provided for in the plans.

◆ ◆ ◆

No Change Tax Assessor's Office.

There will be no changes in the tax assessor's office in 1927. W. Lou Barnett is the efficient tax assessor. J. K. P. Shrader, deputy tax assessor and the following deputies will work in connection with this office: Vernie Williams, White's Grove; Lige Russell, Farmersville; Goldman Perry, Westminster, W. R. Tillison, Celina; W. R. Dickerson, Jack Chambers, McKinney; J. M. Pouncey, Nevada and J. D. Wilson BlueRidge.

◆ ◆ ◆

No Change Tax Collector's Office.

There will be no changes in the office of County Tax Collector A. T. Raper: Henry E.Morgan is deputy tax collector, and N. D. Ready, highway deputy. Other employes of the office are Miss Lela Copeland, Miss Archie Thompson and Clint M. Lewis.

The force is painstaking, courteous and untiring in their duties, and are ever willing to do everything possible in their capacity for the taxpayers of Collin county.

◆ ◆ ◆

In County Clerk's Office.

The County Clerk's office will have no changes in its staff for the new year. Miss Minnie Burrage, county clerk, was re-elected and will occupy her same position. Miss Bessie Keen is deputy county clerk and other deputies of the office: Mrs. Pearl Strother, Paul Rike, chief deputy and Miss Edith Raper.

Employes are ever ready to serve the public and the records in this office are an excellent testimony of the accuracy and painstaking toil that is taken by every employee in doing the every day duties expected of the county clerk and her staff of deputies.

◆ ◆ ◆

Halsell Davis, District Clerk.

Halsell Davis will enter his duties Saturday as district clerk. He was a World war veteran and is a young man of splendid ability. He has named Charlie Sportsman as deputy district clerk, who will also enter his duties Saturday. Mr. Davis takes the place of Mrs. Alice Taylor, who has served faithfully for eight years as district clerk, filling out the unexpired term of her late husband, and holding the position ever since. Mrs. Taylor has been painstaking in all her duties and has performed her tasks well. R. E. Geren, deputy district clerk, will also retire from his duties. Mr. Geren's books have been greatly admired for their neatness systematic arrangement and accurateness. Mr. Geren has many friends in the county and his splendid services during the five years that he has served in this capacity, has been greatly appreciated.

◆ ◆ ◆

New County Attorney.

Hon. Jewell E. Abernathy will take up the duties of his office Saturday as county attorney. He has named W. Clarence Dowdy assistant county attorney. Mr. Dowdy served in this capacity during the administration of H. Grady Chandler, who takes up his duties as assistant attorney general in Austin, Jan. 3.

◆ ◆ ◆

E. F. Kirby, Treasurer.

In the county treasurer's office, there will be only one change. T. A. Parris, county treasurer, who has served faithfully four years as county treasurer and eight years as deputy, will retire and his place will be filled by E. F. Kirby. R. E. Beasley will continue as county auditor and Miss Gladys Bryan, assistant county auditor. Mr. Parris, who retires, has served well during the twelve years and his familiar face will be missed at the temple of justice.

◆ ◆ ◆

Will Kerby Sheriff.

There will be no changes in the sheriff's office for 1927. Will Kerby was re-elected as sheriff and he has renamed Ed Blakeman, office deputy, J. R. Hollandworth, riding deputy; P. L. West, jailer.

◆ ◆ ◆

Prof. Stephens, Superintendent.

Prof. S.C. Stephens will take up his duties as county superintendent Saturday, succeeding Prof. J. W. Moseley, who served as county superintendent for four years. Assisting Prof. Stephens, will be the secretary, Miss Kathleen Hamilton, who served under Prof. Moseley.

◆ ◆ ◆

County Judge, A. M. Wolford.

County Judge A. M. (Bert) Wolford who has served two years as county judge, nominated without opposition, re-elected last November, will continue his duties January 1. In the office with Judge Wolford are the county commissioners, J. L. Gibson, L. F. Campbell, W. N. Baker, and J. R. Day. Mr. Gibson enters his duties Saturday to serve the third term and Messrs. Campbell, Baker and Day their second terms.

District Judge F. E. Wilcox and court stenographer, J.M. Muse, will serve in their same capacities during the new year.

◆ ◆ ◆

Mrs. Rollins, Matron Rest Room.

Mrs. J. S. Rollins, will continue her duties as matron at the rest room. Perhaps no woman at the court house is more beloved. She keeps the room tidy and inviting to the hundreds of women of the county who visit the room.

Will Treese retired as janitor at the court house and W. R. Leach took his place.

◆ ◆ ◆

Dink Meador Constable.

Sid Williams was re-elected justice of the peace. Jim Kimbriel, constable and Marshall Padgitt, deputy constable, will retire January 1. Mr. Kimbriel will be succeeded by E. C. (Dink) Meador. Mr. Meador has appointed Tip Eads chief deputy and Jim Sparlin, deputy. Jim Goodner has been re-elected public weigher.

The Daily Courier-Gazette and the Weekly Democrat-Gazette extend best wishes to all the new officials at the court house, who take up their duties at the beginning of the new year. It is predicted that each new member of the court house staff will be successful in their undertakings and will do everything in their power to add to the progress and development of Collin county. To those who retire, these papers also extend their appreciation of their past labors and wish them continued success in their new line of work.

Incoming County Attorney

JEWELL E. ABERNATHY.

Incoming District Clerk

HALSELL DAVIS.

Retiring County Attorney

GRADY CHANDLER.

Retiring Dist. Clerk

MRS. ALICE TAYLOR.

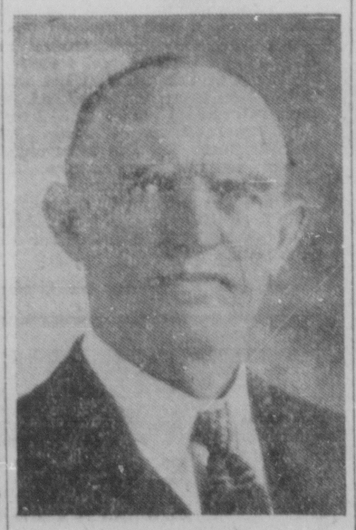
County Clerk

MISS MINNIE BURRAGE.

County Judge

JUDGE A. M. WOLFORD.

Tax Collector

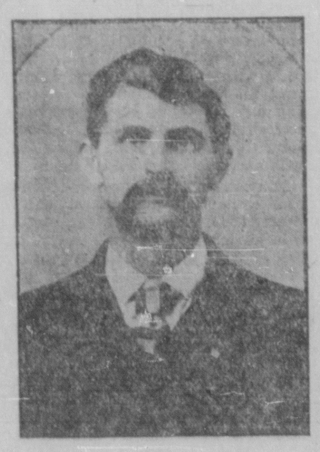


A. T. RAPER.

Sheriff

W. A. KERBY.

Newly-Elected Constable



E. C. (DINK) MEADOR.

Justice of Peace

SID WILLIAMS.

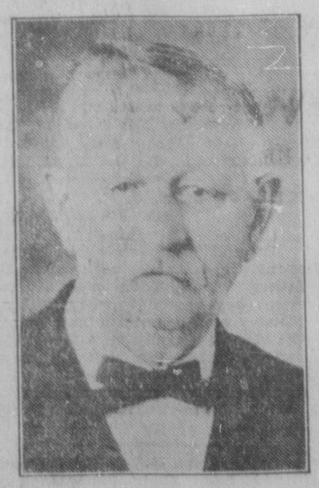
Tax Assessor

W. L. (LOU) BARNETT.

District Judge

JUDGE F. E. WILCOX.

Retiring Treasurer



T. A. PARRIS.

TO ADDRESS FARMERSVILLE LIONS CLUB FRIDAY

Mayor Tom W. Perkins has been invited and has accepted an invitation to address the Lions club of Farmersville Friday noon. He will be accompanied by Carl Gallagher, secretary of the McKinney club.

The Farmersville club has fifty members and is one of the most active Lions clubs in the jurisdiction.

INTERESTING TALKS PLANNED FOR WATCH NIGHT SERVICE

Dr. Charles W. Estes, pastor of the Central Presbyterian church announces a most interesting program at the watch night services to be held Friday evening, December 31, at 8 o'clock. Dr. Estes urges every member of the church and the entire public to attend and take part in the watch service. The program is as follows:

◆ ◆ ◆

Topics:

What the Year 1926 Has Meant to me.—General discussion.

The New Year—Another Chance to Make Good.

New Men, the Key to the New Year.

The Year 1927 and a Better McKinney.

The Year 1927 and Home Life of McKinney—Discussion.

The Year 1927 and the Young People of McKinney, Miss Marjorie Greenwood.

The Year 1927 and Better Educational Advantages in McKinney—Discussion.

The Year 1927 and Better Amusements and Entertainments in McKinney—Discussion.

The Year 1927 and Better Social Life in McKinney—Discussion.

The Year 1927 and Better Health Conditions in McKinney—Mrs. R. L. Moulden.

The Year 1927 and Better Laws in McKinney, Judge A. M. Wolford.

The Year 1927 and Better Law Enforcement in McKinney and Community, Sheriff W. A. Kerby and Chief J. S. McKinney.

The Year 1927 and Better Rural Life in McKinney and Community, Prof. S. C. Stephens.

The Year 1927 and Better Church Life in McKinney and Community—Discussion.

Dan Neathery, former county treasurer, was here on business Wednesday.

Joe J. McLain of Anna, well-known duroc swine breeder, was here Wednesday.

W. H. Brigham, well-known Wylie citizen was here Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. F. G. Jones and son, Bush of Fort Worth spent the holidays here with relatives.

ONLY A FEW DAYS REMAIN

Before the Holiday Subscription Offers of The Daily Courier-Gazette and Weekly Democrat-Gazette Will Be Withdrawn.

Subscribe Now!

The Weekly Democrat-Gazette 1 year in Collin county only $1.00

(If you want the Semi-Weekly Farm News of Dallas you may get both Weekly Democrat-Gazette and the News for $1.50.)

The Daily Courier-Gazette, in Collin county only, outside of McKinney, for one whole year $3.50

(You may get both the Daily and the Semi-Weekly Farm News 1 year each in Collin county by mail $4.00

The Daily Courier-Gazette by carrier in McKinney, 1 year....$5.00

These offers will terminate Jan. 5, 1927. Send in your subscription now while you may make this substantial saving.

Perkins & Wilson

Editors, Publishers and Proprietors The Daily Courier-Gazette, The Weekly Democrat-Gazette.

M'KINNEY HAS BRIGHT PROSPECTS FOR PROSPEROUS NEW YEAR; MUCH BUILDING HERE DURING 1927; OPTIMISM AHEAD

Just whether McKinney, citizens will make New Year resolutions or vice versa, cannot be determined, but nevertheless, it is felt that McKinney has bright prospects for a prosperous New Year, both in civic, education and financial progress.

McKinney has undergone wonderful building progress during the year. Two new magnificent churches were completed, namely, the Central Presbyterian church and the St. Peter's Episcopal church. The new edifices are rated as two of the most attractive church buildings, not only in McKinney, but in Collin county. The new Christian annex is fast being completed, and it will be only a short time until this new edifice will be ready for occupancy.

◆ ◆ ◆

Two New Bricks.

The Newsome building and the Lovejoy building, two of McKinney's landmarks, were torn away during 1926, and beautiful brick buildings erected in their place. These buildings add special attractiveness to the south side of the public square, and the general business section.

The Waddill building, on the north side of the square, was remodeled during the past year, Dr. Edwin Lee Burton built three brick buildings on East Virginia street, and a modern garage building erected by Charles M. Abbott on West Louisiana street is quite an addition to this portion of the business section and was built during the year. The Finch and McDonald building, formerly occuped by Hall & Hendrcks grocery store, which was recently damaged by fire, has been rebuilt and is a commodious, up-to-date business house.

A number of other buildings in the business section have been nicely remodeled and modernized.

◆ ◆ ◆

Business Changes.

There are number of business changes to be made in McKinney Jan. 1. A number of merchants have retired, while others have moved to other cities and as soon as business firms become adjusted, it is predicted that 1927 will be a successful business yearfrom every standpoint.

In driving over the city, there are many changes in the residential section. Many new homes have been built and a large number have been remodeled

◆ ◆ ◆

Optimism Foreseen.

As McKinney citizens look to 1927, they see optimistic conditions in the way of building progress. Right at the dawn of the new year, plans are under discussion for remodeling of the court house in McKinney. Attractive plans and specifications occupy a conspicuous place on the desk of Judge A. M. (Bert) Wolford in the county judge's office.

Those who have the plans in charge say that they do not have any doubt but what work will soon begin on the remodeling of the court house. The plans have attracted every one who have seen them and much interest exists here over the prospects of a modern court house, which is badly needed for McKinney.

◆ ◆ ◆

Addition to Cotton Mill.

One of the most valuable assets to McKinney promised for 1927, is an addition to the present plant of the Texas Cotton Mill company, which will cost approximately $200,000. The work is to begin Jan. 1, according to Al Culberson, vice president and general manager of the C. R. Miller Manufacturing company owners and operators of the local textile mill.

This improvement will mean the addition of 5,000 spindles to the present capacity of the mill. The plant now has 11,000 spindles and the improvements will also require practically doubling the number of operatives in the mill.

The addition will be two stories on the East story end of the present plant for a length of 120 feet. A 60-foot addition to the present dyehouse was completed the latter part of 1926, at a cost of $25,000.

These are but a few improvements that McKinney people can look forward to in 1927. Any citizen, who is not optimistic and appreciative of the bright outlook, should not admit it. Let's push; not knock.

◆ ◆ ◆

McKinney, Progressive City.

McKinney is a beautiful progressive little city, with prolific possibilities for expandng and growing and with every citizen a booster, it is felt that it will be needless to resolve, but to determine to make McKinney a better place in which to live, relative to her schools, public institutions, business enterprises, churches, etc.

1927 is here. Let's make the best of it, you will move out come back a half dozen times before you find a better place or as congenial a citizenship.

GILES M'KINNEY SELLS INTEREST TO ORLIA MOSS

GILES McKINNEY.

A business announcement of much importance will become effective in McKinney on Jan. 1, Giles McKinney, for 27 years a grocery merchant of our city and who has occupied the same stand on the east side of the square announces that he has sold an interest in his grocery business to Orlia J. Moss and the firm in the future will be known as Giles McKinney & Co.

Mr. McKinney who is a veteran in the grocery business in McKinney, will continue active, doing all the buying for the firm.

Orlia J. Moss, a native of Collin county, of whom probably no man knows more people, one who is better liked by all the people, has had many years experience in the grocery business, having worked for Price Stiff, the late well-known grocer of McKinney for several years. Orlia, as we all know him, is a fine fellow and counts his friends by his acquaintances. Always in a good humor, ever smiling, and willing to do the right thing, he has a very strong following and will make the firm of Giles McKinney stronger, if possible, as no man in the county has more friends than Giles McKinney.

O. J. MOSS.

The new firm announces a change in the policy of their business in that after January 1, they will do a strictly cash and thirty-day business. Mr. McKinney states that this being a saving to the business in that cash now counts and that if those to whom they extend thirty days' credit will pay promptly, at the end of thirty days, it will also mean a greater saving to his patrons.

The building, so long occupied by Mr. McKinney, will be overhauled and made practically new, work to begin as early as possible.

Their announcement appears in another part of this paper, to which we call your especial attention.

Christmas Gifts Mr. and Mrs. Henry W. Warden Stolen

Christmas burglars had no compassion on the time and thought that Mr. and Mrs. Henry W. Warden of this city, had spent on their Christmas gifts.

Christmas eve afternoon at 5:45 o'clock, Mr. and Mrs. Warden started out in their car to deliver their Christmas packages to friends and relatives in McKinney. The back of the car was filled with homemade cakes and lovely gifts, including a large football, beautiful linens and gifts of all kinds.

Their first stop was at the home of Mrs. E. A. Newsome. They went in the home to extend Christmas greetings and were gone only a few minutes. When they returned to their automobile, they found every gift gone.

No clue to the robbers has been ascertained. It was almost a miracle that the thieves escaped without some one seeing them as it was scarcely dark and the street light was on near by, which lighted the car from which the gifts were taken.

Miss Mary Frank Lewis, who submitted to an operation for appendicitis Thursday, was reported to be getting along nicely Tuesday and it is expected that she will be able to be moved to the home of her mother, Mrs. Frank Lewis, late Tuesday afternoon.

A. H. Eubanks, cashier of the Central State bank, who some time ago purchased H. J. Harris' nice home on West Lamar street, will occupy it with his family, beginning with the new year, Mr. and Mrs. Harris moving to Dallas.

Today's Events

MONDAY, Dec. 27, 1926.

Greetings to former Senator and Mrs. Chauncey M. Depew, who celebrat their silver wedding anniversary today.

Two hundredth anniversary of the birth of William Alexander (generally knows as Lord Stirling), who led the American attack in the battle of Long Island.

The first National Peanut exposition is to have a gala opening today in the towns of Windsor, N. C., in the heart of the peanut growing belt in Virginia and North Carolina.

Fifty years ago today the first resolution looking to nation-wide prohibition by constitutional amendment was introduced in congress by Henry W. Blair of New Hampshire.

Over 1000 scientific addresses and papers will be delivered before the American association for the Advancement of Science and its forty-one affiliated societies during its annual meeting opening in Philadelphia today.

Another large group of learned societies will begin annual meetings in St. Louis today including the American Economics association, American Political Science association, American Farm Economics association, American Statistical association, American Sociological association, American association for Labor Legislation.

The holiday week also will be taken advantage of to hold the national meetings of numerous Greek letter fraternities, Kappa Alpha Psi will convene in Washington, D. C., Delta Kappa Epsilon in New York, Phi Sigma Delta in Chicago, Pi Kappa Alpha in Atlanta, Theta Kappa Nu in Birmingham, Alpha Kappa Kappa in Galveston, and Sigma Alpha Mu in Columbus, O.

◆ ◆ ◆

Today's Calendar of Sports.

Racing—Continuation of meetings at New Orleans, Havana and Tijuana.

Golf—Annual midwinter tournament opens at Pinehurst, N. C.

Chess — Annual Yale-Harvard-Princeton-West Point tournament opens in New York.

Boxing—Lou Bogash vs. King Solomon, 10 rounds, at Fall River, Mass.

Tuesday, December 28, 1926.

This is Holy Innocents' day, sometimes called Childermas.

If Woodrow Wilson were living today he would be 70 years of age.

Greetings to Iowa, on the eightieth anniversary of her statehood.

Centenary of the birth of James H. Slater, a United States senator from Oregon.

Gov. Brandon has called the Alabama legislature to meet in special session today.

The Presbyterian manse of Staunton, Va., in which Woodrow Wilson was born, is to be dedicated today as a national shrine.

Miss Betty Baker, daughter of Newton D. Baker, exsecretary of war, is to become the bride today of John Philip McGean, of Los Angeles.

On this, the 70th anniversary of the birth of Woodrow Wilson, many floral offerings will be deposited about his tomb in the Episcopal National cathedral, Washington, D. C.

Stanley M. Bruce, the Australian prime minister, is due to arrive in New York today for a brief tour of the United States and Canada on his way home from London.

Elihu Root is to be presented with the Woodrow Wilson foundation medal and award of $25,000 this year, in recognition of his services in helping to create the World court, at the annual meeting and dinner of the foundation in New York tonight.

Hundreds of historians, representing colleges and universities in all parts of the country, will gather today in Rochester, N. Y., for the annual convention of the American Historical association, the sessions of which will continue four days.

◆ ◆ ◆

Conventions Opening today:

Milwaukee, Wis., — International Student Christian Association conference.

St. Louis, Mo.—National Community Center association.

Montreal, Que.—Phi Delta Theta National fraternity.

Philadelphia.—Theta X National fraternity.

Philadelphia.—Kappa Nu National fraternity.

Philadelphia.—American Society of Horticultural Science.

Atlanta, Ga.—Pi Kappa Alpha National fraternity.

Boston, Mass.—Sigma Alpha Epsilon National fraternity.

Chicago, Ill.—Phi Epsilon Pi National fraternity.

Chicago, Ill.—National Commercial Teachers' federation.

St Louis, Mo.—American Academy of Political and Social Science.

St. Louis, Mo.—American Economic association.

Rochester, N. Y.—Music Teachers' National association.

Buffalo ,N. Y.—Chi Phi National fraternity.

◆ ◆ ◆

Today's Calendar of Sports.

Racing—Continuation of meetings at New Orleans, Havana and Tijuana.

Golf—Twenty-fourth annual mid-winter tournament, at Pinehurst, N. C.

Annual Miami open championship tournament, at Miami, Fla.

Chess — Yale-Harvard-Princeton-West Point League tournament, at New York.

Wednesday, December 29, 1926.

Only two more days for the kiddies to wait!

Five years ago today Hon. William Lyon Mackenzie King first became premier of Canada.

Columbus, O., will be the meeting place today of the annual sessions of the American Association of Teachers of Journalism.

The Australian prime minister, Stanley M. Bruce, is to be entertained at a luncheon at the Bankers Club in New York City today.

Fifty years ago tonight one of the most appalling disasters in the history of American railroads occurred near Ashtabula, O., when nearly 100 lives were lost by the giving away of a bridge while a train was passing over it.

◆ ◆ ◆

Conventions Opening Today:

Boston, Mass.—International Congress of American Pigeon Fanciers.

Tampa, Fla.—Alpha Tau Omega National Fraternity.

Tallahassee, Fla.—Florida Educational Association.

Lincoln, Neb., Nebraska State Bar Association.

New York—Zeta Beta Tau National Fraternity.

St. Louis—Alpha Delta Sigma National Fraternity.

Dallas, Texas—Phi Chi Medical Fraternity.

Madison, Wis.—Square and Compass Fraternity.

Chicago, Ill.—National Association of Teachers of Speech.

Cambridge, Mass. — Archaeological Institute of America.

Cambridge, Mass.—American Dialect Society.

Cambridge, Mass.—Modern Language Association of America.

Cambridge, Mass.—American Philological Association.

◆ ◆ ◆

Today's Calendar of Sports.

Racing—Continuation of meetings at New Orleans, Havana and Tijuana.

Athletics—Annual convention of National Collegiate Athletic Assn., at New York.

Football—Annual meeting of Football Coaches' Association, at New York.

Golf—Twenty-fourth annual Midwinter tournament, at Pinehurst, N. C. Miami open championship tournament, at Miami, Fla.

In the Day's News

Dec. 27, 1926.

John H. Clarke, who is serving as neutral arbitrator to consider the question of wages of 65,000 express employes is a lawyer and jurist of eminence who for six years, from 1916 to 1922, was an associate justice of the Supreme Court of the United States. He is a native of Ohio, was graduated from Western Reserve university in 1877, and a year later was admitted to the bar. Known during his career as a lawyer, as the representative of large interests, he was at the same time, in his numerous political activities, the champion of measures not always favored by the business class. Regardless of this fact, though, in season and out he led the fight for some of these reforms with such force and effect that he was a potent factor in their ultimate triumph. He was several times the choice of the Democratic party in Ohio for the United States senate. In 1914 he was named a United States district judge and two years later was elevated to the Federal supreme bench to succeed Associate Justice Charles E. Hughes.

1798—William W. Corcoran, who donated the great art gallery bearing his name to the city of Washington, born in Georgetown, D. C. died in Washington, Feb. 24, 1888.

1823—Sir Mackenzie Bowell, who served for a time as Canadian premier, born in Suffolk, England. Died December 10, 1917.

1851—A British squadron captured Lagos, in the Bight of Benin, Gulf of Guinea.

1854—Thomas W. Dorr, leader of the so-called "Dorr's rebellion," died at Providence, R. I. Born there in 1876—Henry W. Blair of New Hampshire introduced in congress a joint resolution for a constitutional amendment providing for nation-wide prohibition.

1891—Traffic throughout England was suspended by one of the densest fogs ever known in that country.

1921—Thomas Grace, Roman Catholic bishop of Sacramento, died in Sacramento. Born in Wexford, Ireland, Aug. 2, 1841.

1924.—The conference of allied ambassadors in Paris decided against the evacuation of Cologne.

◆ ◆ ◆

One Year Ago Today.

The six-masted schooner Edward J. Lawrence, the last of her rig afloat burned at Portland, Me.

◆ ◆ ◆

Todays Birthdays.

Sir Henry Hadow, vice chancellor of Sheffield university and chairman of the British education by radio commission, born 67 years ago today.

Gen. Peyton C. March, who was chief of staff of the U. S. army during the World war, born at Easton, Pa., 62 years ago today.

Dr. John M. Thomas, president of Rutgers college, born at Covington, N. Y., 57 years ago today.

Dr. John A. Marquis, noted educator and former moderator of the Presbyterian General assembly, born in Washington county, Pa., 65 years ago today.

December 28, 1926.

Dr. E. F. W. Alexanderson, who predicts that within ten years persons will be able to see and talk with each other over the ocean, is a famous electrical engineer whose invention of the high frequency alternator made possible the sending of wireless messages 3,000 miles at five times the former speed. A native of Sweden, Dr. Alexanderson came to America about twenty years ago and is now consulting engineer of the General Electric company and of the Radio Corporation of America. It was his devices that made possible the operation of the New Brunswick wireless station the last six months of the war with such marvellous results and that demonstrated for the first time that transoceanic radio communication for 3,000 miles was possible practically every hour of the day.

1836—The Madison and Lafayette railroad was organized in Indiana.

1854—James T. Morehead, U. S. senator and governor of Kentucky died at Covington, Ky. Born in Bullitt county, Ky., May 24, 1797.

1856 —Woodrow Wilson, twenty-eighth president of the United States, born at Staunton, Va. died in Washington, D. C., Feb. 3, 1924.

1858—The Clearing House association of Cleveland was formed.

1859—Thomas Babbington Macaulay, historian, essayist and poet, died in London. Born Oct. 25, 1800.

1879—The great Tay bridge at Dundee Scotland, was partly destroyed by a gale while a train was passing over it; nearly 100 lives lost.

1915—French senate cheered Gen. Gallieni's declaration that France would fight until her demands were met.

1924—The $25,000 Peace prize of the Woodrow Wilson foundation was presented to Viscount Decil at a dinner in New York.

◆ ◆ ◆

One Year Ago Today.

Sergei Yessinin, Russian poet and former husband of Isadora Duncan, killed himself in Moscow.

◆ ◆ ◆

Today's Birthdays.

Samuel H. Piles, United States minister to Colombia, born at Livingston, Ky., 68 years ago today.

Dr. Alexander Scott, director of Scientific Research of the British museum, born 73 years ago today.

Frank B. Willis, re-elected last November as United States senator from Ohio, born at Lewis Center, O., 55 years ago today.

St. John Ervine, celebrated author and playwright, born in Belfast, Ireland, 43 years ago today.

Prof. Frank W. Taussig, noted political economist of Harvard university, born in St. Louis, 67 years ago today.

Prince Hirohito, who ascends the throne of Japan with the passing of his father, the Emperor Yoshihito, is 25 years old and for several years has governed as Prince Regent during the illness of the emperor. Since 1919 when he became of age he has occupied a seat in the House of Peers of the Imperial Diet. Five years ago, with the consent of his father, he broke an ancient Japanese tradition by being the first crown prince of Japan to make a trip abroad. He visited the principal countries of Europe and impressed those he met as a young man of observing disposition, a retentive memory and a keen desire for knowledge. In 1924, about two years after his return from abroad, he was married in Tokio to Princess Nagako, a descendant of a former emperor of Japan. As ruler of Japan the Crown Prince Regent gives promise of carrying on the "Era of Enlightenment," by which the reign of his grandfather, Emperor Mushuhito, was known.

◆ ◆ ◆

Today's Anniverstaries.

1808—Andrew Johnson, seventeenth president of the United States, born at Raleigh, N. C. Died in Carter county, Tenn., July 30, 1875.

1812—U. S. frigate Constitution destroyed the British ship Java in battle off the Brazilian coast.

1837—Imperial Winter Palace in St. Petersburg, the largest in Europe and capable of housing 12,000 people, was destroyed by fire.

1876—Titus Salt, who built the first alpaca factory in England, died. Born Sept. 20, 1803.

1888—The Law and Order League of Sioux City, Ia., commenced proceedings against transportation companies accused of nullifying the prohibition laws.

1915—Russians captured the important city of Kashan, Persia.

1916—Thomas C. Casgrain, postmaster-general of Canada, died in Ottawa. Born in Detroit, Mich., July 28, 1852.

1924—A gift of $1,000,000 from John D. Rockefeller, Jr., to the Metropolitan Museum of Art was announced.

◆ ◆ ◆

One Year Ago Today.

Floods caused heavy loss of life and property in western Europe.

◆ ◆ ◆

Today's Birthdays.

Charlotte Walker, a well-known actress of the American stage, born at Galveston, Texas, 48 years ago today.

Col. William Mitchell formerly prominent in the U. S. Army Aviation service, born at Nice, France, 47 years ago today.

Prof. Solon I. Bailey, noted astronomer of Harvard university, born at Lisbon, N. H., 72 years ago today.

Dr. George Thomas, president of the University of Utah, born at Hyde Park, Utah, 60 years ago today.

Jess Willard, former world's champion heavyweight pugilist, born in Pottawatomie county, Kas., 39 years ago today.

To our customers and all others who have stood by us in the past and whose good wishes and patronage have helped us we wish to express our thanks and most sincere gratitude. We assure you that we will put forth every effort to give the very best values and do all in our power to have satisfied customers for 1927.

Wishing you all a very happy and prosperous New Year.

Mrs. W. E. Marshall

"Where Style Reigns Supreme."

This Farm for Trade.

109 acres 2½ miles south Pilot Point, 85 cultivation. Accept clear residence as part payment. Balance easy; possession. HIGHT & RUSSELL.

DANCE AT HILL CREST VERY ENJOYABLE AFFAIR.

Quite a large number of guests were present to enjoy the annual Christmas dance at Hill Crest on Tuesday evening in their home.

Among the out-of-town people here were: Mr. and Mrs. Glen Halsell, Fort Worth; Mr. and Mrs. Perry Burrus, Dallas; Mr. and Mrs. Jack Burrus, El Paso; Mr. and Mrs. Tom Perkins Jr., Greenville; Mr. and Mrs. Louis Scott, El Paso; Mr. and Mrs. Randolph Caldwell, Dallas; Mr. and Mrs. A. Culberson, Dallas and Miss Julia Morrow Church of Dallas.

Refreshments were served at midnight.

BAPTIST SUNDAY SCHOOL DISTRICT CONVENTION FIRST CHURCH SUNDAY AFTERNOON

At the recent re-organization of the Collin County Baptist Sunday School Association, it was decided to revive the work of that organization of which Rev. A. B. Jenkins, of Nevada, is general superintendant, and Mrs. Maude Dunn, Altoga, is Secretary-Treasurer. Sunday afternoon, January 3, was set for the first quarterly district meeting. The first meeting will be for the McKinney district, embracing seventeen of the Baptist churches, in and round about McKinney.

The meeting is to begin at 2 o'clock p. m., and the practical program indicates that the meeting Sunday afternoon will be one of interest and helpfulness. The pastors, superintendants, teachers and officers, also others interested in Sunday school work will want to attend this meeting.

This Residence for Trade.

Eight-room residence with barn and two lots in Northwest McKinney only $1,500. Accept good car or livestock in trade. HIGHT & RUSSELL.

MR. AND MRS. J. E. COX RETURN HOME

Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Cox of Paris, spent Christmas with Mrs. Cox's father, W. M. Todd, near Westminster. They passed through McKinney Monday on their way home, going by the way of Farmersville to avoid the bad roads between Van Alstyne and Sherman. Mr. Cox called at the office of the Daily Courier-Gazette and Weekly Democrat-Gazette and renewed for the weekly.

Mr. and Mrs. John Moore have returned from their honeymoon trip and are visiting relatives here. They will be at the home in Abilene after Jan. 1.

J. H. BALDWIN & CO. BROKERS, CHANGE THEIR LOCATION

TO MOVE JANUARY 1, TO THE NEWSOME BUILDING IN CITY.

J. H. Baldwin & Co., brokers, who have had their place of business in the Giles McKinney building for quite a while on East Louisiana street, will move on Jan. 1, and be ready for business on Jan. 3, in the new Newsome building, upstars, room 206.

E. Forrest Morrow is the local manager of J. H. Baldwin & Co. Forrest is a son of Mr. and Mrs. John Dick Morrow, a native of Collin county, and a fine young man.

J. H. Baldwin & Co., have direct wires to New York, Chicago and all Eastern markets and buy and pay cash here for government bonds and stocks. Read their announcement in another place in this paper and visit their place of business, where you will always recieve a warm welcome and a friendly handshake from their enterprising and hustling young manager, E. Forest Morrow.

Anthony Street Bargain.

Good three-room residence, East Anthony street, quick sale only $550. HIGHT & RUSSELL.

GOOD ATTENDANCE, MUCH INTEREST IN POULTRYMEN MEET

The Celina Co-operative Poultry association met Thursday night, Dec. 16, with a large attendance and all officers present and held one of the best meetings association has held. The following visitors were present from McKinney: Dr. and Mr. Ray Largent, John Roelyn, Houston and Henry Baxter, Roy Hayes, Robert Baxter, Charlie Bristol, A. M. Hill.

Mr. Hill, who is president of the Collin County Poultry association, discussed the poultry industry in an interesting way and his remarks were well received.

Dr. Ray Largent followed with an address on the various phases of the poultry industry.

He called attention to the international governmental restrictions being seriously discussed by the fish commissioner of the various nations. He said fishermen, with their modern methods of catching fish, are depleting the fish supply to an extent that the world shall have to cast about for other kinds of meat to supply the demand. The swine industry he said, has run down to almost nothing and that the supply of cattle is far short of the demand. In Dr. Largent's opinion there is only one way to prevent a meat-hungry people, and that is to grow more poultry and produce more butter and eggs.

Dr. Largent said 2000 hens well fed would lay their own feed-bill and that of the family that owned them. He said that one who talks over-production of poultry, with the shipping facilities that Texas now has betrays his ignorance.

Mr. Roelyn, secretary of the Collin County Poultry association made a brief and impressive talk, presenting some vital facts in connection with the poultry industry for those present to ponder.

M. Button, secretary of the Celina Co-oerative Poultry asscoiation, made a talk full of encouragement to the fellow who wohld like to engage in the poultry business and is short of funds.

He told of a lady, a stranger to him, who came into his bank to borrow $65 on 65 Leghorn hens. He stated that he had never taken a mortgage on a hen in all his banking career, but that the nerve of the woman rather challenged his admiration and he let her have the money, taking a mortgage on her 65 hens and waited for developments, but had not long to wait, for, long before the note was due she came and paid it.

A striking picture adorned the wall of the meeting quarters. It was a map of the world with the picture of a large white Leghorn hen "sitting on top of the world." Underneath were the words: "Sitting on top of the World. One of Texas' Largest Farm Cash Crops."

George Jenkins made a few remarks on the poultry industry encouraging all to give the hen a square lead and a chance to "lay" a better foundation for more prosperous conditions and thereby eliminate the necessity for becoming so heavily involved in debt. He said the South is looking for a new ruler to ascend the throne of the dethroned Cotton King, and he knew of no better way than to make it a queen by substituting the hen.

Rev. H. G. May and the Bush children dispensed fine music for the meeting and each time received hearty applause. The Bush children also gave some excellent readings that were appreciated by all present.

In keeping with the nature of the meeting egg sandwiches, ham and pimento with real "Nelson" coffee, were served.

The meeting was very pleasant and instructive and was greatly enjoyed by those who attended.—Celina Record.

Mrs. L. B. Eferd of Childress was a delightful guest for the holidays of Mrs. Eferd's brother, A. L. Allen, 512 Erwin street Mr. Allen called and sent the Weekly Democrat-Gazette one year, as a New Years' present for his sister. Mrs. Eferd has returned to her home at Childress.

Alf M. Dowell of Memphis, Texas, spent the Christmas holidays with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Willis R. Dowell in this city.

1 HAPPY 9 2 7 NEW YEAR

We thank you for your patronage during 1926 and want you to know that our plans for 1927 call for a program which we conscientiously believe will fully merit your continued good will and business.

We appreciate every trust placed in us and will never give you cause for regret, if within our power to prevent it.

T. AL BOMAR SERVICE STATION

Phone 517.

"Where Do We Go From Here?" Wonder Five Dallas Infants, 200 Miles Away From Home

Oklahoma City, Okla., Dec. 28.—Five Dallas infants, six weeks old or less, who spent Christmas 200 miles from home, thereby fooling Santa Claus, police, charity workers and other mothers, rolled and tossed in the midst of blankets and hot water bottles here today and wondered, perhaps, "Where do we go from here?"

All, including their nurse, Miss Eleanor Burns, 22, and local charity officials, are awaiting word from Dallas authorities.

Miss Burns and two of the mothers came here with the babies for Christmas, making a night motor car ride from Dallas.

They explained that because Miss Burns, young proprietress of a Dallas founding home, had never spent a Christmas away from the home of her sister, Mrs. J. T. Maledor, here, she bundled the infants left in her care onto the floor of her motor car surrounded them with hot water bottles and, accompanied by two of the mothers drove from Dallas to Oklahoma City on Christmas Eve.

Authorities say physicians who examined the infants here found no harmful effects from the trip, "although they are so tiny, it is difficult to determine what might develop."

R AND R POPE

Friday New Year's Eve Midnight—Johnny Hines in "STEPPING ALONG." This is Hines' new picture and it's a peach of a comedy. It will not be shown but the one time.

Saturday—James Oliver Curwood's great story, "THE COUNTRY BEYOND."

Monday and Tuesday—Colleen Moore in her newest production, "TWINKLETOES." This is claimed by all critics as her greatest picture.

Wednesday—Conrad Nagel in "THERE YOU ARE."

THURSDAY—Lloyd Hughes in "PALS FIRST."

R AND R AMERICA

Friday Only—A William Fox production, "SANDY," and "Secret Service Sanders."

Saturday Only—Hoot Gibson in "The Texas Streak.

All Next Week starting Monday, Jan. 3—Ackley and Leigh's Comedians, 25 People, presenting comedy dramas, vaudeville and they carry an orchestra and band. We will also present a picture program each day, as follows:

Monday and Tuesday—Fred Thompson in "The Two Gun Man."

Wednesday—Buddy Roosevelt in "Luck and Sand."

Thursday—Rex, the wild horse, in "The Black Cyclone."

Friday—A Special Picture.

Saturday—Jack Hoxie in "Wild Horse Stampede."

WESTMINSTER.
Mrs. M. I. Vermillion, Cor.

School reopened Wednesday morning after a week's vacation for the holidays.

Miss Venia McClure and Mr. Choice who teach near McKinney spent Christmas with home folks here.

Rev. Joseph filled his appointment here Saturday night, Sunday and Sunday night. The bad weather kept many at home.

Miss Beaulih McDougal who teaches at Chickasha, Okla., is home with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. A. McDouglas and son, Aaron.

Miss May Anderson who is attending school at Denton is home, spending Christmas with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Anderson.

Mrs. Allie Grace Hudgins spent Monday and Tuesday here with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. M. L. Vermillion and family and her little son, Louis Doyle.

Mr. Hopper, who has been ill at the home of his daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Giles for the past two months is improving now and able to be up most of the time.

Mr. and Mrs. Bob McHone had a Christmas dinner and had forty-two guests for dinner and had a big turkey and everything good to go with it. All report a splendid dinner and a fine time.

Mr. and Mrs. D. Hood had a supper Christmas and a Christmas tree loaded with nice gifts. They had Misses Grace and Ada Mann and Johnnie and C. B. Mann. The Manns left Sunday for their home at Durant, Okla.

Mr. and Mrs. Rome Edwards and children, Jack and Helen of Commerce were home with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. R. J. Edwards and family here, also Miss Alta and Quincy Edwards who teach near McKinney were home for Christmas.

Mr. and Mrs. W. R. Webb had all of their children home for Christmas; Mr. and Mrs. Byrd Webb and Mr. and Mrs. Carey Webb and children from Dallas; Mr. and Mrs. Judd of Abilene, and Mr. and Mrs. Mark Rannels, and little Miss Evelyn Byrd of Spur.

Mr. and Mrs. W. W. Eubanks also had a Christmas dinner and all of the children here except Mr. and Mrs. Lovelace Eubanks and children of Dallas; Mr. and Mrs. Byrd Webb, Mr. and Mrs. Royce Eubanks and little son, Eddie Ray and Miss Bonnylin Eubanks all of Dallas; Mr. and Mrs. Chester Boyer and family, Hilliard and Miss Opal Lee who live here.

McDONALD
Miss Annie Stockwell, Cor.

Health is good at this writing.

On account of bad weather the school didn't get to have their Christmas tree Friday night.

W. D. Stockwell was the guest of Mr. and Mrs. Johnnie Blankenship of Wetsel Monday.

Johnnie Isbell who has been the guest of relatives in Denton for the past two weeks has returned to his home.

Ernest Aylor came down from Paris Thursday to spend Christmas with his step-parents, Mr. and Mrs. B. C. Loveday.

Mr. and Mrs. Bryant Scalf of Melissa are spending Christmas with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Scalf and Mrs. Ritter.

G. W. Drake, son and daughter, Larry Frances and Ruth Leona, were visiting at Mrs. M. A. Stockwells Sunday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. B. F. Spencer was the guest of Mrs. Spencer's parents, Mr. and Mrs. F. Parr of McKinney Friday night and Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Bryan Spencer and little son are spending the Christmas holidays with Mrs. Spencer's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Abe Kindle of Higgins.

PIKE
Mrs. M. V. McGuffey, Cor.

Miss Alice and Hester Conger of Callis visited Gertrude White Sunday.

Pearle and Muriel McGuffey of Dallas spent Christmas with home folks.

Mrs. Nannie Ryles of Ector is spending the winter with Mrs. Lizzie Willis here.

Mrs. Lively and children have gone to Palestine to spend the holidays with relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. Bill Head and children visited Mr. and Mrs. Estel Taylor at Leonard Friday and Saturday.

Rays Young of Callis and Miss Cleo Lucus of Frognot were married here Saturday evening by Rev. Newsome.

Mr. and Mrs. G. S. Davis and children spent Christmas with their son and brother, Stanley Davis at Greenville.

Mr. and Mrs. Oscar McGuffey and children of Fayburg spent Christmas with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. M. V. McGuffey.

Miss Powell, teacher of the seventh and eighth grade pupils here, is spending the holidays with home folks at Leonard.

Mr. and Mrs. Seth Sanders and family at Sweetwater, Texas, are visiting Mrs. Sanders' parents, Mr. and Mrs. S. V. Darrs, South of here.

CLEAR LAKE.
Miss Lena Robinson, Correspondent.

L. H. Walls and family have moved to Plano.

Several from this place attended singing at Dump Sunday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. E. J. Cooper and family have moved to Tahoka, Texas.

A. J. York and family of Waxahachie have moved into our community.

Mr. and Mrs. Allen Lard of Dallas, were the week-end guests of Mrs. R. Douglas.

Mr. and Mrs. Troy Page were the guests of Mr. and Mrs. C. Page of Nevada Friday night.

Hoyt E. Robinson and son Weldon were the guests of Mr. and Mrs. E. A. Robinson Saturday.

Mrs. Melvin Harper, who teaches school at Collin's Line, spent the week-end with home folks here.

Miss Bonnie Vermillion spent the week-end with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. S. B. Vermillion of Altoga.

Misses Ellen and Edna Russell of near Wylie were the week-end guests of Mr. and Mrs. W. T. Russell.

Mr. and Mrs. E. A. Robinson were the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Ealie McWhirter of Higgins, Saturday night.

The Rev. Hart of Dallas filled his regular appointment at the Methodist church at this place Saturday night and Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Commons of Waxahachie have moved to their farm here, we are very glad to have of Them in our midst.

The Clear Lake Boys played the Morris boys a game of basket ball Thursday afternoon, the scores being 12-4, in favor of Clear Lake.

Brady Martin, of Josephine is the guest of Mr. and Mrs. Troy Page, Arlin Drain and Dave Lee, employes of the American Telephone company will be in Dallas this week.

CLIFFT
Mrs. J. W. Bryan, Correspondent.

Bryan Dunn of Dallas visited relatives here a few days this week.

Miss Marie Moore spent Christmas with home folks at Mt. Vernon.

J. R. Bryan and family and Miss Vera Bryan spent Christmas with relatives in Dallas.

J. W. Bryan, who has been sick the past three weeks is able to be up some at this writing.

VERONA
Mrs. M. L. Stroup, Correspondent.

Bill Dunn of Dallas is visiting relatives here.

Kellar Dunn of Electra is visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. E. Dunn.

Talmadge Stewart is visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Will Stewart.

Mr. and Mrs. Jess Harben of Blue Ridge visited Mr. and Mrs. E. F. Harben.

Mr. and Mrs. Paul Harben of Blue Ridge visited Mr. and Mrs. E. F. Harben.

Karl Stroup has gone to Waco to visit his cousin, Ralf Gifford for a few days.

Walter and Ben McTee of Nocona spent a few days with home folks last week.

Karl and Orville Stroup of Nocona are visiting their parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. C. Stroup.

Clifford Grisham of Nocona spent the week-end with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Grisham.

Mr. and Mrs. Marvin Dunn of Dallas spent the Christmas holidays with Mr. and Mrs. E. Dunn.

Rev. Vivien of Dallas filled his regular appointment at the Methodist church Sunday and Sunday night.

Mr. and Mrs. C. B. Wilson of Electra are visiting Mrs. Wilson's parents, Mr. and Mrs. E. Dunn, during the holiday season.

Mr. and Mrs. Amon Samples and children, Grace, Amos and Don of Nocona are visiting Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Samples and Mrs. Ada Womble.

Mr. and Mrs. Derrest Williams and daughter, Doris Frances, of Nocona, are visiting Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Grisham and Mr. and Mrs. E. L. Williams.

ALLEN
Mrs. L. Goeman, Correspondent.

Mrs. A. A. Hemphrey was shopping in McKinney, Tuesday.

Mr. Alphie Miller and family were Dallas visitors, Sunday.

Mr. C. C. Chapman and wife were in McKinney Saturday.

Mrs. A. D. Marshall was shopping in McKinney, Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. H. G. Butler visited relatives in Dallas, Sunday.

Mr. Ed Allen and wife of Plano visited Allen relatives Sunday.

Mr. Cartis Leach and family have moved to a farm west of town.

Miss Marie Cundiff spent Sunday with the Misses Marcom, in McKinney.

Mr. Zelma Pruett and family have moved to Allen from east of McKinney.

Miss Saphrona Smith, of Culleoka, is the guest of her sister, Mrs. H. J. Laird.

Mr. Sam Wilson and family and Mrs. L. Wilson were Dallas visitors, Saturday.

School was resumed Monday morning, the children only having a three-day vacation.

Mr. Carl Wright and family and Miss Veneta Matthews spent Saturday in Dallas.

Mrs. Henry Laird and Mrs. Alta Rawlings were shopping in McKinney, Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. M. H. Payne, of Palestine, were guests of Allen relatives, the past week.

Mrs. J. R. Brooks is visiting her daughter, Mrs. Mack Spurgeon and family at Clarendon.

Mr. W. N. Waters and wife were guests of their son, Chester Waters, in McKinney, Sunday.

Mr. W. C. Harrington and family were guests of Mr. Willie Dutton and family in McKinney, Sunday.

Mrs. Monroe Angle, Mrs. Cordious Richard, Mr. and Mrs. Adrain Angle were in McKinney, Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Clarke and children are spending the holidays with relatives at Ennis and Palmer.

Mrs. L. Wilson and daughter, Cappe, spent Saturday in Dallas with Mr. and Mrs. O. G. Smith and son.

Mr. Walden Jones and family of Greenville, spent the week end with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Jones.

Mr. and Mrs. Mark Vermillion have moved back to McKinney. Mr. Vermillion was employed at the Oil Mill gin.

McKinney and Allen basket ball teams played on the Allen court Thursday. Score 17-16 in favor of Allen.

Messrs. S. P. and Fred Bush left Friday for Midland, where they are visiting relatives and enjoying bird hunting.

Mrs. Joe Beverly of Dallas, who has been seriously ill at the home of Mr. and Mrs. V. E. Tucker, is improving.

Messrs. H. T. Yeatts, Robert Fraze, Eustace Norris, Clarence Boren and George Norris were in McKinney, Monday.

Mr. R. M. Emerson and family of Brashear, were holiday guests of Mr. John Butler and family and other relatives here.

Miss Lizzie Nell Cundiff, who is teaching at Duncan, Okla., spent the holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. G. Cundiff.

Mr. Jack Giddings of Hollywood, Calif., was the guest of his grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Giddings and other relatives this week.

Mrs. H. T. Yeatts and children, Jeneta and John Henry, Miss Edna Morgan and Mrs. L. Goeman were shopping in Dallas, Thursday.

The Christmas trees at both the Methodist and Baptist churches were well attended in spite of the rain and Santa Claus was very generous to all.

The Bi-Weekly Club met Wednesday with Mrs. S. P. Bush for their regular session and Christmas exchange. Every member was present and Santa Claus presented each one her gift. Plate lunches were served.

Mrs. J. P. Giddings and daughters, Helen and Minnie Louise; Laura Mildred Leach, Mrs. E. S. Blythe and children, Mrs. Claude Fraze and daughter, Nelba Jean, and A. E. Bridges and family all shopped with McKinney merchants, Saturday.

Among other Allen visitors to Dallas Saturday, were D. G. Melton and family, Mrs. J. W. Bridges and children, Mr. and Mrs. Jesse Scott, Miss Lois Leach, Georgie Lee Giddings, Mrs. E. L. Leach and daughter, Edna Katheryn, and Key Long and family.

The Woodmen Circle entertained their husbands Saturday evening at the W. O. W. Hall with a progressive 42 party. A good crowd was present. Mrs. W. M. Kinsey of Happy, Texas, a former member, was an honored guest. Refreshments were served.

A delightful family reunion took place Sunday at the home of Mr. and Mrs. R. B. Whisenant in which 35 children and grandchildren took part. All of the children were present but one, Henry Whisenant, of Houston. Out of town guests were: Mr. Sales Leach of Dallas and Mr. Basie Leach and family of McKinney, grandsons of Mr. and Mrs. Whisenant.

ALTOGA
Mrs. W. T. Dunn, Correspondent.

J. W. Gerron has been sick for several days.

Mrs. S. S. Stapp is visiting friends in McKinney, this week.

Mrs. Virgie Lacy and Howard Lee Dunn were sick last week.

Willie Griffin, wife and baby, are spending Christmas in Altoga.

D. C. Christian of Dallas, spent Christmas with home folks heree.

Little Paul Odell of McKinney, is visiting his aunt, Mrs. J. A. Carson.

Mr. and Mrs. Hutcherson and baby, spent last week with relatives in Alba.

Olen Anderson of Princeton, spent Christmas with his cousins, Leon and Clyde Lacy.

Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Dunn of Dallas, are spending a few days with relatives here.

Mr. and Mrs. George Porter and children, spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. J. F. Ray.

Miss Julia Green, who underwent an operation for appendicitis several days ago is doing nicely.

Miss Bonnie Vermillion, who teaches at Clear Lake is spending this week with home folks.

Mr. and Mrs. Tom Boyer and son, Owen, of Princeton, spent Christmas with their brother, Herbert Ensley.

Mr. and Mrs. Ike Watkins and daughter, of West Texas, is visiting her mother, Mrs. Earl Cate, this week.

Charles Ray, who is a student in John Tarlton College, at Stephenville, is spending the Christmas holidays with home folks.

Mrs. John Lawson and children, Duard and Junior, are visiting her sisters, Mrs. Onie Moreland and Mrs. Willie Ray, of Womble.

John Gaines and wife of Nocona, Dewey Griffin, wife and baby, of McKinney, were Christmas guests of their parents, Mr. and Mrs. N. Hale, Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Winston Dunn and baby, Billie, of Nocona, visited their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Albert Mantooth and Mr. and Mrs. W. T. Dunn, this week.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Stiff of McKinney, spent Sunday with his mother, Mrs. J. T. Stiff, also Mr. and Mrs. Lee Stiff of the Chapel, spent Sunday with Mrs. Stiff.

Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Vermillion are spending the holidays with their children, Mr. and Mrs. Denison Patton, of Alba, and Rev. Lessly Vermillion and family of Carthage.

Mr. and Mrs. John K. Moreland and daughters, Misses Lula and Iva, had the following dinner guests, Christmas: Jewell Lee Walker, Miss Evelyn Gerron, Ray Walker and Clyde Lacy.

Mr. and Mrs. S. B. Vermillion had their children home with them Sunday: Miss Bonnie, Mr. and Mrs. G. O. Priest and boys, Oren and Wilton, Mr. and Mrs. Oren Vermillion and Evelyn Ayo.

Everybody enjoyed the beautiful snow. Old Santa Claus must have ordered snow balling, rabbit chasing, for dinners were enjoyed by all. The rains the past few days have made the roads almost impassable.

Mr. and Mrs. John Lawson and Mr. Chappie, had as Sunday guests, Mrs. Myra Gray and children of Sherman Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Moreland and Wilford Scott, and Mr. and Mrs. Willie Ray and Winnell, of Womble.

Mr. and Mrs. Clint Farley had the following Sunday visitors: Mr. and Mrs. Johnnie Johnson, Walter and Miss Maude; Mr. and Mrs. Will Moreland and boys, Jack Bruce, and Dwight; Mr. and Mrs. Odus Stiff and son, Guynn.

Mr. and Mrs. W. T. Dunn had the following for Christmas dinner: Mr. and Mrs. Winston Dunn and Billie, of Nocona; Mr. and Mrs. Carl Dunn and children, Frances Alyene and Carl Glenn. Also Mr. Dan Worley, wife and children, Billie Jo, and Glen D., spent the night and left early Sunday for Nocona.

Our school coised on Thursday with a nice Christmas program enjoyed by a number of the patrons. A Christmas chimney and tree with old Santa present delivering the Christmas packages and a nice treat of apples and candy to everyone. The teachers left for their homes. Misses Addie and Leona Linker to Sulphur Springs; Mr. Williams to Princeton.

Steve Latham is greeting his many friends here from Dallas.

OFF on a brand new year—one never tried before—a year that each one of us hopes will bring new progress, more wealth, greater happiness! No wonder "Happy New Year" is a greeting that goes around the globe.

As the calender turns—are you satisfied with the year it closes? We hope so.

And—in your greater progress to come, the broad services of this public-spirited institution are at your disposal.

FIRST NATIONAL BANK
McKinney, Texas
YOUR BANK SINCE 1869

WORLD'S LARGEST CHAIN DEPARTMENT STORE ORGANIZATION

A NATION-WIDE INSTITUTION

J.C.Penney Co. INC. DEPARTMENT STORES

RELIABLE QUALITY GOODS ALWAYS AT LOWER PRICES

South Side Square, McKinney, Texas.

THE SWIFT PASSING OF 1926

—brings us to a new book in life's history and before we thumb its pages our thoughts dwell in greater appreciation upon those patrons who have placed their trust in us, the evidence of which is your patronage.

Not only for your business, but for your good will, do we return glad thanks.

May 1927 smile on you with much good fortune.

NOTICE!

AFTER JAN. 15

I am moving my stock of furniture out of town. Until that time I will sell

ANYTHING IN HOUSE AT A VERY LOW COST FOR CASH ONLY

Take advantage of this opportunity to save big money on your furniture and stoves.

Cathey Furniture Store

Phone 518.

WEEKLY CLASSIFIED ADS

Classified Advertising Rates: One cent per word first insertion; ½ cent per word each insertion thereafter. Minimum charge 25c.

MISCELLANEOUS.

STOP THAT BAD BREATH and heal those sore gums with PYRENE DENTINE. "Best Pyorrhea Remedy we have at Drug Stores. Now 75c.

POSSESSION of 135 acres of land on pike with teams and tools and the rent for 1927 for the small sum of $1,250. McKINNEY REALTY CO., See Dowell.

QUALITY chicks at reasonable prices. Tancred Leghorns; Reds, Rocks. Delivery Jan. 31 and later. Eggs received Saturdays. Chicks ready Mondays. Custom hatching a speecialty. BRYANT BROTHERS, McKinney Hatchery, 914 South Chestnut. Phone 42.

TO TRADE.

112 ACRES good land, on pike, one mile Gunter, Grayson county, to trade for Collin county farm or nice McKinney home. Box 452, McKinney Texas.

LET'S Trade, 109 acres, 4 miles of Pilot Point, $4,000 incumberance, due 33 years. Equity of $1,540. Would take stock or house and lot for his equity. McKINNEY REALTY CO. Ask Dowell.

PLANTS.

W. H. Coffman florist and nursery 919 S. Tennessee Street, phone 807, cut and pot flowers, plants, shrubbery and trees. Your patronage and inquiries invited.

FOR SALE.

FOR SALE—57.85 acres of land, three miles west of McKinney on the pike. Once sold for $200 per acre. Will sacrifice for $135. $1,000 cash and the balance to suit the purchaser. McKINNEY REALTY COMPANY. Ask Dowell.

NO. 1083. FOR SALE—41 acres with nice new bungalow house, splendid well of water, storm house, barn and a good spring, pasture about fifteen acres of fine bermuda grass. One of the best propositions for a dairy in Collin county, on pike, three miles of McKinney. Can be bought at a bargain with possession for 1927. No incumberence on this 41 acres. McKinney Realty Co., By W. L. Yarbrough. Phone 65 or 851.

FOR SALE—60 acres good land on pike, with plenty of good water, convenient to school and churches. Plenty wood. Can be bought at a bargain. Producing half bale of cotton per acre and fifty bushels of corn per acre this year. See W. L. YARBROUGH, McKinney Realty Company. Phone 65.

No. 1080—FOR SALE—120 acres of land near Wainut Grove, 7-room house, large barn, granaries and good out buildings. 100 acres in cultivation. 20 acres in pasture for $105 per acre. This is a real bargain. McKINNEY REALTY CO. See Frank G. Dowell.

WANTED.

WANTED—Some second-hand refused lumber and some sheet tin to cover old barn. Pay American cash. FRAK G. DOWELL, phone 343-J.

MUSICAL INSTRUMENTS.

PIANO TUNING—Prompt and efficient service. C. W. HALL at J. T. Couch Music Store

"WATCH NIGHT" SERVICE TO BE HELD AT THE CENTRAL PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

A special Christmas Eve program was given at the Central Presbyterian church. "In the midst of the happiness that reigned, efforts were made to give proper recognition to the birth of Jesus Christ, said the pastor, Dr. Charles W. Estes, by giving an appropriate program."

Special exercises by the children and a brief drama in which five young ladies represented different characters as follows:

✦ ✦ ✦

Drama By Young Ladies.

One represented the Spirit of Christmas, another, represented Selfishness, another Pleasure, another Love, and Pleasure promised to walk with Mercy, showing a beautiful story and an important lesson.

Miss Nina Thompson gave a reading, at the close of which the chimes were heard from the balcony, and then quietly two children walked to the altar and placed a large basket of canned goods, followed by others, until twenty baskets were presented by the classes of the Sunday School, the contents of all to be given to the Reynold's Presbyterian Orphanage at Dallas, showing the true spirit of the White Christmas.

Then came the Christmas tree, beautifully decorated and prepared in the basement of the church, to which everybody went and soon appeared Mr. and Mrs. Santa Claus and their son, to the delight of all.

It was indeed a happy evening to all present.

Sunday was a good day in the Sunday school and morning services with good attendance.

The pastor used as his subject, "The Birth of Jesus Christ, the Turning Point in the World's History."

This subject caused those present to consider the world and man from the beginning, leading through the many periods of the world, and the many conditions changing and finally His coming, revealing the fact that He did not come to destroy, but to fulfill. His coming wrought a change in all political, social, business, religious and church life, because His teachings were contrary to the beliefs and customs of the people in those days. Marvelous are the changes now being wrought by the true observance of His birthday. The year 1927 promises to be the best, happiest, most prosperous year of all history because man is more seriously considering his duty to God and his relationship to his fellow man.

No two rulers can occupy the same throne at the same time. One of them must come down. Rome had long held the ruling power of the so-called world, but when Jesus was born Rome was troubled, began to lose her power, and even to this day Rome is troubled at the very mention of Jesus Christ as the ruler of the world. In Him came the desire of all nations, and in Him all nations have found a Friend to lead them out of darkness, bondage, suffering, into light and liberty. Manhood, womanhood, has reached an honored place in life. Morality is sacred. Home-life is protected. Virtue, goodness, love, is sacred to the people who love the Babe of Bethlehem.

✦ ✦ ✦

Watch Night Service Dec. 31.

Friday evening, December 31, from 8 to 12 o'clock, "open house" will be kept for this church which will observe the evening as a watch night service. Not only the members of that church but the people generally are cordially invited to spend the evening or at least a part of the evening at this watch night service. Attend any time, be free to leave at any time, but if possible remain to see the old year ushered out and the arrival of the new year. An impressive devotional service with songs and prayers will be offered as the old year passes out and the new year arrives. This is the most solemn event in the life of the world every year, as the old year passes out and is numbered with the ages of the past.

It is doubly sacred to watch the coming in of a new year, unstained, untrodden and in which we may be happy and useful for another period of twelve months.

WATCH SERVICES FRIDAY NIGHT AT FIRST METHODIST

There will be a watch-night service at the First Methodist church Friday night and plans have been completed for the observance. The program will be varied, beginning at 8 o'clock and lasting until 12, midnight, when the old year will be closed out with appropriate services.

Mrs. Bessie Largent, Mrs. George Wilson and Miss Irene Hughston will provide a musical program from 8 to 9 o'clock. From 9 to 10 o'clock will be recreational with Miss Sue Mood and Miss Bessie Mae Hamilton in charge. From 10 to 11 the Rev. J. A. Old, pastor, will deliver a sermon appropriate to the occasion. Eleven to 11:30 refreshments will be served and the Rev. Mr. Old will be in charge of the closing half hour, 11:30 to 12.

All members of the church and Sunday school are invited and urged to be present and join in the service, which is expected to be one of interest to both young and old.

"BROTHER" JIM PATIENTLY WAITED THIRTEEN YEARS

James A. (Brother Jim) Caldwell Jr. celebrated his thirteenth birthday in a joyous way on Christmas day. He says that he at last was permitted to make his double celebration—Christmas and birthday, when a deep mantle of snow covered the earth and brought about ideal conditions to a healthy boy's mind for such joyous events.

"Brother" Jim is a son of Manager Gibson Caldwell of the Collin County Mill & Elevator company and president of the local Chamber of Commerce. He is a grandson of Dr. James A. Caldwell, highly esteemed physician and citizen, of our city. He is a robust youngster who greatly enjoys life with his hearty young friends and companions both in the school room and on the play grounds.

The hope of the future of our city, state and nation is in such lads as "Brother" Jim of the rapidly rising generation coming on. Let them enjoy to the utmost every holiday vacation and anniversary that comes to them. Congratulations Brother Jim on your entrance into your "teens." We hope you will grow up into as useful manhood as your dad and other ancestors.

TURKEY THIEVES DROP LOOT WHEN FARMER SHOOTS

Would-be turkey thieves were thwarted in their designs on a flock of turkeys on the farm of Mr. and Mrs. Wilbur Hedgcoxe of the Bethany community about five miles southeast of McKinney on Christmas Eve night. Mr. Hedgcoxe heard a noise or commotion that caused him to emerge with a shot-gun at an opportune time. He took a shot in the direction of the turkey roost and next morning, when daylight came, he found three of his turkeys tied up in a big sack that had been hastily dropped in the rear of his barn by the fleeing thieves. If more farmers could do like Mr. Hedgcoxe in protecting their poultry against thieves with their shot-guns there would in all probability be a marked falling off in such crimes. Farmers from every part of the county are suffering more or less from depredations of chicken and turkey thieves. High prices for poultry together with rapid auto means of transportation are enticements that seem to tend to increase the number of such crimes. Comparatively few chicken thieves are ever arrested.

EAST COLLIN MAN'S DEATH IS MOURNED

R. D. Caldwell, Climax merchant who died at his home on Dec. 22, of cancer, was born in Middle Tennessee on May 12, 1866. He was therefore 60 years, 7 months and 10 days old at the time of his passing.

✦ ✦ ✦

Came to Texas in 1877.

Robert Doke Caldwell was brought to Texas by his parents in 1879 when he was only about 12 years old. They first settled near McKinney. He was united in marriage September 25, 1887, to Miss Lina Watson at the old Bowlby school house, four miles west of McKinney. They lived most of their married life at Climax, twelve miles east of McKinney, on a good farm which they owned and operated by him until a little more than a year before his death when he sold the farm and bought the Long store at Climax. He continued in the general merchandise business until his death. He built a good modern bungalow residence close to his store property where he spent the last year of his life.

He obeyed the gospel at the age of 22, and was a member of the Church of Christ at Climax. He was honest, of solid integrity of character and a man of sociable, friendly turn who made friends of all whom he met. It was his pleasure to render assistance to his neighbors and friends and to do his full part in a civic way and as a citizen in promoting the interest of the community in which he lived. His passing is mourned by a multitude of sorrowing friends.

His funeral was conducted in the Church of Christ by his friend and former pastor, W. R. Wolfrum of Sanger, Texas, who paid a beautiful tribute to his life and character and who brought much consolation to the bereaved loved ones and friends. His interment took place in the old Van Winkle cemetery at Climax.

The deceased is survived by three children, Sam H. Caldwell at home; Dr. Charles L. Caldwell, one of the teachers in the State Teacher's college at Denton, and Mrs. Jessie Gordon of Lockney, Texas. He is also survived by one brother, J. N. Caldwell of near Farmersville and by two sisters, Mrs. L. A. Stewart and Miss Sis Caldwell who both live about five miles east of McKinney. His father and the father of J. A. Caldwell of McKinney were brothers. These editors extend sincerest sympathy to the bereaved widow, children, brother and sisters. He was a lifetime friend of our papers, whose encouragement and friendship was always an inspiration to us in the Climax community. We revere his memory. Peace to his soul.

Mr. and Mrs. Carl Lepeard of Dallas, were the holiday guests of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Lepeard in this city. Mr. Lepeard has been associated with the Cullem-Boren Sporting Goods company for five years.

Miss Nell Kirby of Duncan, Okla., is the guest of relatives in this city.

ELKS AND HALCYON MEMBERS MADE 18 HOMES HERE HAPPY

Eighteen homes in McKinney, were made happy Christmas by the Elks of the city. Christmas eve afternoon, members of the Halcyon club met at the Elks home with eighteen attractive baskets filled to overflowing with groceries, candies, fruits and toys.

At the appointed time an Elk accompanied by a Halcyon club member started out with a fell-filled basket which they took to a home where perhaps no Christmas cheer would have entered the portals, had it not been for their generosity.

The baskets were unique Dolls, toy pistols, drums and horns, peeped from the baskets laden with substantial edibles.

The baskets created sunshine everywhere they were placed and made Christmas happy for many who otherwise would not have had an opportunity to enjoy it.

DR. AND MRS. BURTON POUR TEA FOR FRIENDS

Dr. and Mrs. E. L. Burton, ever gracious hosts, "poured tea" to a few of Dr. Burton's personal friends at their beautiful home Monday evening at 5 o'clock. Mrs. Burton was ably assisted at the "tea bowl," by Mrs. Sam Neathery.

The following personal friends were invited quests: Giles McKinney, Fred Emerson, Thos Johnson, Dr. J. Knight, W. Avery Dowell, Joe Largent, S. Weisman, Dr. W. Todd Largent, J. A. Dyer, Dr. Ben F. Largent, H. A. Abernathy, George Keller, Tom Scott, Sam Neathery, Benj. Smith, Gibson Caldwell, W. R. Abernathy, Gabe Kerby, F. Dudley Perkins, Dr. C. G. Comegys, Jewell Abernathy, A. M. Scott, Roy Kirkpatrick, L. V. Graves, Fitzhugh Nessome, H. W. Warden, A. H. Eubanks, Tom W. Perkins, L. A. Scott, Jr., of El Paso, Dr. Edwin Weisman Burton.

DR. WOLFORD "WATER BOUND" IN ARKANSAS

Dr. Fitzhugh Wolford of this city has returned from the state of Arkansas where he went to confer with the state manager of the Davidson Sunshine Cotton company of this city, of which the Dr. is business manager and one of the owners. He found this Collin county originated and developed variety of cotton to be in rapidly growing favor in the state of Arkansas and the prospects are that a large demand will come from that state for certified seed to plant its next year cotton crop with. Dr. Wolford was detained in Arkansas several days on account of high waters and raging streams. As the following news item will give our readers a better conception of:

✦ ✦ ✦

Much Livestock Believed Lost in Ouachita River Flood.

Arkadelphia, Dec. 22.—The Ouachita river at this place reached a stage of 22 feet and six inches last night, the highest since 1920. The flood was two miles wide in places covering thousands of acres of farm land. A large part of the population of Arkadelphia went to the highway bridge at the foot of Caddo street to see the high water. Many unusual sights, such as cows, hogs and chickens swimming, floating or riding drift wood and brush were seen.

A large steer was seen breasting the current and by the time he reached the bridge members of a bridge crew that had been engaged in painting the structure, looped a rope, and after several hurls succeeded in noosing the animal, which they towed to land. The steer was identified as belonging to Bill Taylor and came from a wild range called Bear Slough Bend, four miles up the river.

Owing to the rapid rise of the river much livestock is believed to have been drowned.

HAPPY REUNION LACKEY FAMILY THIS CHRISTMAS

Mr. and Mrs. J. P. Lackey, who reside at 401 Jefferson street, who are owners and proprietors of the Cotton Mill Drug store, had an exceedingly happy Christmas, as every member of the family was present. This was the first time all their children had been at home at one time in many years.

The children who were present for the holidays were: P. C. Lackey and wife, of Blanchard, Okla; Homer Lackey of Wapanucka, Okla.; Mrs. Perry Phillips and son, Howell of Pittsburg, Kan., and Miss Inez Lackey, who is at home. The latter is an extraordinary pianist and is recognized over the city as exceptionally talented in music. P. C. Lackey and Homer Lackey are both registered pharmacists and graduated from a school of pharmacy at Little Rock, Arkansas.

There was much rejoicing in the Lackey home during the yuletide and a joyful homecoming was spent.

Mr. and Mrs. Russell Thomas of Dallas spent the holidays with Mr. Thomas' parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Thomas.

Robert Lee Oates, who works in Dallas spent the holidays here with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Ben Oates.

Richard Shults of Dallas spent the holidays with his parents, Rev. and Mrs. R. D. Shults.

J. A. HENDRICKS DIED AT HOME IN WESTMINSTER

James A. Hendricks, 86 years old, father of Miss Hester Hendricks, expression teacher of this city, died at his home near Westminster, Tuesday morning at 3:30 o'clock, after an illness of two weeks.

The deceased was an ex-Confederate soldier and served in the Sixth Texas regiment. Others in the regiment with the deceased at the same time were Hi Wilmeth and Jesse Orenduff.

Funeral services will be held at 1 o'clock Wednesday afternoon at Westminster academy and the interment will follow in Elm Grove cemetery, west of Westminster.

He is survived by nine children as follows: W. L., J. Wesley and H. W., all of Westminster; Cleveland Hendricks of Melissa; Mrs. Tom Airhart, Valdasta; Mrs. Rupert A. Long, Melissa; Mrs. B. E. Roper, Anna; Mrs. L. W. Nichols, Westminster; and Miss Hester Hendricks of McKinney.

These papers extend sincerest sympathy to the family in the loss of their loved one who was a valiant soldier, a splendid citizen and a christian gentleman. Sam J. Massie Undertaking company of this city has charge of funeral arrangements.

SISTER OF J. D. BASS PASSED AWAY

J. D. Bass of this city received a message Tuesday announcing the death of his sister, Mrs. Joe E. Rhea, of Roswell, New Mexico, who died at the home of her sister, Mrs. Grimmett in Shreveport, La.

The deceased had been in ill health for two years. She often visited in the home of her brother here and has a host of friends in McKinney who will regret to hear of her death.

Mr. Bass will be unable to attend the funeral on account of illness.

These papers extend sincere sympathy to Mr. Bass and other relaties in their bereavement.

The late Mrs. Rhea's husband, who has been dead for a number of years, was a nephew of the late Capt. J. C. Rhea and a cousin of Will J. Rhea of this city.

DR. W. R. HALL CLOSES OUT 4 YEAR PASTORATE

"For I determined not know any thing among you, save Jesus Christ, and him crucified." With this as a text Dr. W. R. Hall, pastor of the First Presbyterian church of this city, closed his four years' work in McKinney with a sermon Sunday night. This was the same text for his first sermon that he preached in the beginning of his pastorate four years ago. He declared that in his work in McKinney, he had faithfully endeavored to do as the Apostle Paul declared in this text that he had done.

The Central Presbyterian church of the city dismissed its own service in order to hear Dr. Hall's closing sermon. Many other visitors and friends of the departing pastor from other churches were also in his congregation. A large choir of excellent voices sang hymns of praise. Dr. C. W. Estes of the Central Presbyterian church, who was present with his congregation, led in prayer and responded to an invitation by Dr. Hall to say a few words. Dr. Estes declared that the relation between himself and Dr. Hall in their pastoral work in McKinney had been most pleasant and he paid a tribute to Dr. Hall's ministry and life as a man and minister. Dr. Estes offered his services to the congregation in any way that he could be of assistance during the period which it would be without a pastor.

As before stated in these columns, Dr. Hall recently resigned his McKinney pastorage to accept another field of labor at El Paso, to which city he has already gone to take up his work at the beginning of the new year. Dr. Hall, during his residence in McKinney, won many lasting friendships both in and out of his own church by his exemplary walk and labor among us. All feel an interest in his future success in the great work that he is accomplishing for the church and the world.

DR. J. SAM BARCUS HAS AN OPERATION CATARACT REMOVED

Rev. J. Sam Barcus, D. D., president of Southwestern university, underwent an operation for the removal of a cataract from one of his eyes, at St. Paul's sanitarium, Dallas, Wednesday, Dec. 8th. His host of friends will be glad to know that he is doing well and is on the road to recovery.—Texas Christian Advocate.

Dr. Barcus was for three years pastor of the First M. E. Church South at McKinney, here, where he has numerous good friends. Gibson Caldwell, manager of the Collin County Mill & Elevator company, visited Dr. Barcus in the hospital one day last week, and found the patient improving so rapidly that his discharge from the institution was expected next day.

Typewriter paper in 10c and 25c package at this office.

GOOD WILL AND GOOD CHEER ---TO--- Everybody-- Everywhere--

WHY NOT? In taking stock of Collin County, among the items of credit, we call attention to Salient Facts.

A recent ginners' report says that 54,368 bales of cotton were ginned up to December 1st. A conservative estimate is that when the ginning season is closed there will be sixty five thousand to seventy five thousand bales if the cotton now in the field is gathered.

THE ANNUAL REPORT OF MRS McGEE

The report of Mrs. Viola P. McGee for 1926 should be inspiring to the public generally, and the farmers and truck growers especially. A condensation of this report shows the following:

The club members put up 153, 231 cans of fruits and vegetables this year. It would be reasonable to state that double that amount was canned in Collin county, which would be 306,462. Divide this with the 6,001 farms in Collin county, there would be fifty-one cans to each farm; besides this quota to each farm, add the dried fruits and vegetables, kraut, etc. Also 99,659 pounds of sugar cured meat.

Elsewhere in this issue of this paper is a detailed report of Mrs. McGee and comments thereon to which we direct attention.

We confidently believe that 1927 will prove one of the best years, because of its store house of feed and food produced in 1926, unlike that of 1925, where the profit of cotton was consumed in the purchase of feed and food.

And further our people have determined to co-operate along industrial lines to divide acreage, to promote diversification and thrift in the home and business activities.

MAKE THE NEW YEAR A BANNER YEAR

"STAND ON THE WATCH TOWER 365 DAYS"

McKINNEY CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

GIBSON CALDWELL, President,
T. E. CRAIG, Vice President,
C. W. SMITH, Secretary.

BOARD OF DIRECTORS

J. R. Bullock
Gibson Caldwell
Dr. C. G. Comegys
Thomas E. Craig
W. A. Dowell
H. A. Finch Sr.
L. V. Graves
C. J. Smith
M. H. Woodruff
Henry W. Warden
Tom W. Perkins
A. H. Eubanks
R. C. Stone
C. M. Bryan
Charles M. Cooper
J. E. Gibson
L. R. Hoover
W. D. Howell
J. H. Merritt
Giles McKinney
Martin W. Moses
J. P. Thomas
F. V. Williams
Glenn Stiff
J. A. Dyer
J. H. Clendenen
Thomas Johnson
R. G. McCain
F. B. Pope
F. D. Perkins
Will J. Rhea
Howell E. Smith
Tom Scott
C. W. Smith
F. C. Thompson
W. B. Wilson
A. C. King
O. A. Reese
L. W. Garretson
G. G. McAlexander

These Officials Extend Their Greetings

Sincere Wishes for a Prosperous Year!

OUR BEST WISHES FOR SUCCESS AND HAPPINESS IN 1927

Ed Blakeman,
Jim Hollandworth,
Deputy Sheriffs

WE VOICE
OUR APPRECIATION
FOR YOUR
GENEROUS SUPPORT

A. M. WOLFORD
County Judge

HERE'S EVERY
WISH THAT 1927
WILL BRING YOU
CONTINUED
PROSPERITY

W. L. (LOU) BARNETT
Tax Assessor

HERE'S TO
12 MORE
MONTHS
OF SINCERE
GOOD WISHES

DINK MEADOR
Constable

MAY 1927
FIND YOU
HAPPY
AND
CONTENTED

Halsell S. Davis
District Clerk

WE EXTEND
THE GLAD
HAND FOR
A YEAR OF
HAPPINESS

J. L. GIBSON
County
Commissioner

TUNE IN
ON OUR HAPPIEST
WISHES
FOR THE YEAR 1927

J. W. MOSELEY
Retiring County Supt.

WITH
KINDEST
THOUGHTS
FOR 1927

Jim B. Goodner
Public Weigher

HEARTIEST
NEW YEAR
GREETINGS
AND BEST
WISHES FOR
A GOOD YEAR

S. C. STEPHENS
County Supt.

WE'RE BROADCASTING
OUR HAPPIEST WISHES
FOR A YEAR
OF PROSPERITY

A. T. RAPER
Tax Collector

MAY PEACE
PROSPERITY AND
PLENTITUDE PURSUE
YOU AND YOURS
IN 1927

W. A. (WILL) KERBY
Sheriff

OUR BEST
WISHES FOR
A YEAR OF
BOUNTY

(Miss) Minnie
Burrage
County Clerk

MAY SUCCESS
ATTEND YOU
THIS NEW
YEAR

SID WILLIAMS
Justice Peace

LET'S ALL MAKE
1927
THE BEST
YEAR EVER!

H. GRADY CHANDLER
Retiring County Attorney

WE WISH
YOU JOY
DURING 1927

J. E. Abernathy
County Attorney

LOCAL NEWS

J. T. Lochmiller Sr., sends the Daily Courier-Gazette to his son, J. T. Lochmiller Jr., who now resides in Corpus Christi, where he is engaged in the cafe business, doing well.

◆ ◆ ◆

Milam Wilson, a law student in the state university at Norman, Okla., is spending his holiday vacation in McKinney with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. George M. Wilson and other relatives.

◆ ◆ ◆

Bob Williams, Box 33, Achille, Okla., pays his Weekly Democrat-Gazette subscription ahead until Jan. 1, 1928. Mr. Williams was reared in this county where he has many good friends and relatives living.

◆ ◆ ◆

Mrs. G. J. Lichlyter, 6019 Richmond avenue, Dallas, has our thanks for her Daily Courier-Gazette renewal subscription until April, 1927. She wants her old home town news which she gets through the columns of our paper.

◆ ◆ ◆

Franklyn Houston, son of Dr. and Mrs. D. F. Houston of this city, is at home for the holidays. He is a student in the State university at Austin. His sister, Miss Miriam, who is a Kidd-Key student, is also spending the holidays at home in McKinney.

◆ ◆ ◆

Albert Sears of Jackson, Miss., special agent for Hines Insurance company of that place, is spending several days in this city with his mother, Mrs. Charlie Sears. Albert has many friends and relatives in this city who will be glad to know that he is here on a visit.

◆ ◆ ◆

Mrs. John Hagey and daughter, Miss Geraldine Hagey, of Plano, and Wilbur Hedgcoxe and family of the Bethany community, all spent the day Sunday as guests in the home of former County Superintendent W. L. Yarbrough and wife in McKinney. Mrs. Yarbrough is a sister of Mrs. Hagey and of Mr. Hedgcoxe.

◆ ◆ ◆

Wilson Erwin, a student of the State university, Austin. Dr. J. C. Erwin, Jr., of Dallas, Mr. and Mrs. Boude Story and children, Boude, Jr., and Evelyn Elizabeth of Dallas, and Miss Marguerite Erwin, an instructor in the Texas Presbyterian college at Milford, are all guests in the home of Dr. and Mrs. J. C. Erwin.

◆ ◆ ◆

We regret to learn of the illness of A. M. Wilson, the noted old Collin county philanthropist, at his home at Ash Grove about six miles north of McKinney. Mr. and Mrs. Ed. Chaney live in his old home with him. They are being assisted in caring for Mr. Wilson by R. C. Roberts and Jim W. Wilmeth and other neighbors.

◆ ◆ ◆

Cupid is lagging. Not even the county clerk can assign the reason for the decline in marriage licenses during the month of December. Only 44 licenses have been issued to date. On Christmas eve Miss Minnie Burrago, county clerk, issued four licenses and for the first time in many years, no marriage licenses were issued for Christmas day.

◆ ◆ ◆

Miss Rena Kimbriel, who teaches in the primary department of the Buckner Orphan's home, is visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Jim Kimbriel, in McKinney during the holidays. She has taught four years in the Buckner Orphan's home school. Miss Rena is a graduate of the McKinney High school and also of the Baylor Female college at Belton.

◆ ◆ ◆

John A. (Speed) Kimbriel, a Baylor university student at Waco, is spending his holiday vacation at the home of his parents, former Deputy Sheriff Jim Kimbriel and wife, in McKinney. "Speed" was one of the most popular high school students and members of our McKinney High school athletic teams. He is on the "fish" athletic team at Baylor this year.

◆ ◆ ◆

Jimmie Dale, the well-known McKinney transfer man, and Robert Morgan, an orphan lad he adopted from the Reynolds Presbyterian Orphanage Nov. 24, were callers at this office Monday and Mr. Dale and Robert inspected the mechanical department of the office in which the lad was much interested. Robert is a bright-faced lad of ten years and is happy in his new home.

◆ ◆ ◆

The Denton Chamber of Commerce awarded $300 in prizes to the entrants in the annual corn contest on Christmas Eve. The prizes were awarded in two divisions one for upland and one for bottom land. The highest yield of corn was produced by Phillip Triestch, who grew 77.65 bushels per acre on bottom land. The highest yield on upland was produced by F. W. McGregor who made 63.35 bushels per acre.

◆ ◆ ◆

Hugh F. McDonald, wife and daughter, Sally Jo, of Austin are the guests of McKinney relatives. Mr. McDonald and his wife are both natives of McKinney. He is a graduate of the Texas A. & M. College and also one of the brightest Masons in Texas. For 19 years he has held one of the most responsible positions in the State Land Commissioner's office at our state capital.

◆ ◆ ◆

Prof. and Mrs. J. Wesley Smith of Marshall, Texas, are visiting McKinney and Collin county relatives. Prof. Smith is dean of the Marshall college, being a well-known educator and Baptist minister of the state. He was born and reared in this county near Allen. His mother, brothers and sisters now live at and near Wylie. His wife is a daughter of Mrs. L. W. Crouch of this city whom she is now visiting.

◆ ◆ ◆

G. A. Wilson, one of the tellers at the First National bank, is carrying his right arm in a sling as a result of fall Christmas day on a slippery sidewalk. He received a slight fracture and other injuries to his arm which has prevented him from resuming his duties at the bank. His many friends hope that the injured member will soon heal and that he may be at his usual post again soon.

◆ ◆ ◆

Dr. C. C. Weaver, prominent Dallas physician was found dead shortly after 9 o'clock in a lavatory on the fourth floor of the Wilson building, where he had his offices. There was a bullet wound in his head and a pistol was found on the floor near by.

◆ ◆ ◆

J. R. Looney, who served as mayor of Brownwood for ten years is in McKinney, the holiday guest of Mr. and Mrs. W. W. Kerr. Mr. Looney has visited in McKinney frequently and has a host of friends here who are always pleased to see him.

◆ ◆ ◆

Ed Mayo, colored, was struck by an automobile late Tuesday while crossing the street in front of the S. P. Coffey livery stable. The negro received a few minor bruises but was not seriously injured. He was given medical aid in a local physicians office and was reported getting along nicely Wednesday.

◆ ◆ ◆

D. C. Salmons and son Bryan were recent visitors at our office. Mr. Salmons is a tenant on one of Rev. R. D. Shultz' farms, a few miles southwest of McKinney. He recently had the misfortune to lose a bunch of keys which are of no value to others but are very badly needed by himself. Mr. Salmons lives on Route 1, Allen.

◆ ◆ ◆

Walter O'Brien of Stratford, northwest Texas, visited his parents in McKinney during a portion of the holidays. En route to McKinney he visited a married daughter at Wichita Falls and also another married daughter who lives in Dallas. Walter is a prominent cattleman of West Texas, where he has lived for a number of years. He likes the West.

◆ ◆ ◆

Elder R. C. Horn went to Dallas Wednesday to conduct the funeral of Lee Terry, about 60 years old, who died at his home in that city Tuesday.

The deceased was well-known in Collin county, having resided in Celina for a number of years. He was a native of Tennessee and had lived in Dallas about thirty years.

◆ ◆ ◆

The McKinney Fire department is in receipt of a check for $10 from W. D. Smith and I. E. Reeves, who own jointly the building occupied by Ward's market which was recently damaged by fire. The check was sent as a token of appreciation of the splendid services the boys rendered in saving their building from the flames.

◆ ◆ ◆

The condition of A. M. Wilson, Collin county philanthropist remains about the same Wednesday. He is seriously ill in his home at Ash Grove about six miles north of McKinney. The many friends of the philanthropist wish for him an early restoration to health. He is being cared for by Mr. and Mrs. Ed Chaney who live in the home, by Add G. Wilson of this city, and numerous other relatives and friends.

◆ ◆ ◆

Mrs. Hugh McDonald of Austin submitted to an operation for appendicitis Tuesday afternoon in the McKinney City hospital and is reported Wednesday to be doing nicely. Mr. and Mrs. McDonald and daughter, Miss Sallie Jo, arrived from Austin several days ago to spend the holidays in the homes of Mr. and Mrs. Benge Quisenberry, Mrs. Dana McShan, Miss Mary McDonald and other relatives here.

◆ ◆ ◆

W. G. Blankenship of Tyler, a former resident of McKinney, is spending the holidays with his two daughters, Mrs. Charles Nelson and Mrs. Tom Watts in this city. Mr. Blankenship resided here thirty-eight years, moving to Tyler, Smith county, eight years ago. He says that he has enjoyed mingling with his old friends in McKinney immensely and is elated with the wonderful changes that has taken place in the city during the eight years that he has been away.

◆ ◆ ◆

B. S. Bassham, Route 1, Melissa, renews his Weekly Democrat-Gazette subscription for the year 1927. He also takes the Semi-Weekly Farm News at clubbing rate. Mr. Bassham has been a friend and reader of our paper for some time and indorses our feeble efforts at publishing a county paper by continuing on our subscription list from year to year. Such friends are an inspiration to editors. We love all of them.

◆ ◆ ◆

W. A. Massie has bought D. A. Warren's fine 41½-acre farm, one mile east of the city, adjoining Pecan Grove dairy, and will occupy it as a home after Jan. 10 1927. The price paid was $10,000 or $242 per acre. The farm is highly improved, being one of the best small farms in the entire county. Mr. Massie will name his new home "Brook Hill farm." Carl Treadaway, real estate agent, made the deal for Mr. Warren.

◆ ◆ ◆

J. D. Bass, well-known local cotton man, has been confined to his home on West Tucker street with illness for the last seven weeks. He has been able to sit up some for the last few days which will be gratifying to his hosts of friends. During his long illness, he has been sincerely missed from his office and on the streets and his friends trust that it will not be very long before he will be able to be back at his usual post.

◆ ◆ ◆

Mrs. Jessie Gordon of Lockney, West Texas, came to her old home at Climax, a few days preceding the death of her beloved father, the late R. D. Caldwell who passed away December 22. Mrs. Gordon was formerly Miss Dora Caldwell and a former school teacher of this county. For several years she served as correspondent of this paper at Climax where her father owned the store and farmed for many years. She is a cultured young woman.

◆ ◆ ◆

Willie Crouch has returned to Corsicana where he holds a responsible position in a railroad office there. His wife and little two months' old daughter, Billy Dean, remained in McKinney to visit her mother, Mrs. L. W. Crouch, and other relatives. Willie expects to return to spend New Year's with his mother in McKinney. He is a brother of Isaac Crouch a well-known young undertaker of our city connected with the Keller-Largent Undertaking establishment.

◆ ◆ ◆

Mr. and Mrs. Albert Muse of San Antonio came up to spend the holidays with home folks at McKinney. Mr. Muse is a son of Mrs. T. H. Muse, while his wife is a daughter of Mrs. L. W. Crouch. Mr. Muse holds a responsible position with a big auditing firm. He has gone to West Texas in their interest for a few days but will soon return to McKinney to join his wife who remains here and will accompany her home to San Antonio after the first of the new year.

◆ ◆ ◆

Dr. and Mrs. A. W. Mann and family of Pampa, Texas, formerly of McKinney, are holiday guests of friends in McKinney. They moved to Pampa about eight months ago, and in that short length of time, have seen Pampa grow from a town of about 800 to a city of approximately 2,000. Pampa is a splendid oil city and is enjoying a wonderful progress at this time. Dr. Mann and his splendid family have been missed in McKinney and their many friends were pleased to see them on their return visit.

◆ ◆ ◆

Monday night, January 3, Magnolia camp, Woodmen of the World lodge of this city, will engage in initiatory work on several candidates, it has been announced, at which time all members are especially urged to be present. On the following Wednesday night, Jan. 5, the W. O. W.'s will hold installation ceremonies when all newly-elected officers will be installed. This meeting Wednesday night will be an "open-house" affair and all Woodmen and ex-Woodmen and their families are urged to attend.

◆ ◆ ◆

Eight hundred and seventy automobiles have been registered until Tuesday, December 28, according to A. T. Raper, county tax collector. At the lowest calculation, there are yet 8,000 more automobiles to be registered. The law says that all automobiles and trucks must be registered during the month of December and the number so far has not even reached a thousand. Property tax also continues to be paid slowly. Tax payers have until January 31 to pay their property tax.

◆ ◆ ◆

J. P. Harding of this city is at home from an extended auto business trip to Arkansas, lasting several days. He was with Dr. Fitzhugh Wolford on the trip. They were detained several days by over flowing streams and rainy weather that prevailed up there in that state. They were on the road during the heavy snow fall of Christmas eve night, but on account of the blinding snow were unable to make much headway as to speed and progress. Mr. Harding is one of our best known and most highly esteemed traveling men.

◆ ◆ ◆

Rev. J. A. Old, pastor of the First Methodist church, will preach a New Year sermon at the church, in the social room next Friday night at 10 o'clock. A good musical program is being provided. This sermon will be in connection with the observance of watch night. The watch night will begin with an entertainment hour at 8 o'clock, followed by an hour of recreation and fun. After the sermon refreshments will be served. The evening will be closed with a survey of the prospects of the future and resolutions. Everybody is invited to participate in any or all these exercises.

◆ ◆ ◆

Roy Bell, 19-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. Claude Bell of Dallas, spent a portion of his Christmas holidays at the home of his grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Bell here in McKinney, where he was born. Roy is a graduate of the Texas Military college at Terrell, Texas, but he is now in his second year at the State university at Norman, Okla., where he is a student in the Petroleum Engineering course. Roy is a handsome, robust young fellow physically and bright in his studies and ambitious to thoroughly equip himself for a useful and honored career in the business world.

◆ ◆ ◆

Dr. F. J. Perkins, a prominent young Dallas physician, specializing in children's diseases, came up to McKinney Christmas day and installed a new radio in the home of his father W. B. Perkins an honored old Collin county citizen, living on his well improved farm three miles south of McKinney. Dr. Perkins installed the radio set while his father was absent from home and therefore gave him a complete but most agreeable surprise in the way of a Christmas present. Dr. Perkins is a native of this county, having been born and reared on his father's farm, three miles south of McKinney. Mr. Perkins can now sit by his own fireside and enjoy such programs from the air as he may choose to tune in on his new machine.

◆ ◆ ◆

Hon. R. L. Boggs, and wife of Sherman, spent a portion of the holidays in McKinney, visiting at the home of the latter's parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. M. McAnally. Mr. Boggs is a promising young attorney of Sherman and recognized among the most prominent leaders in young peoples Christian activities in the state. He was recently elected president of the State Baptist Young People's union which is perhaps the strongest young people's christian organization in the state. He attended services at the First Methodist church in this city, Sunday, of which his father-in-law is a steward. He is a good singer and accepted an invitation to give a solo to the Geo. P. Brown class of men. His accompanist for the solo was Mrs. Gibson Caldwell.

"GOOD EATS FOR LESS MONEY"—

JASON FURR

Now Owner Vannie Crossnoe's Restaurant.

Noonday Lunch

25c

Plain Steaks, Short Or-
Plain Steaks, Short Or-
and see us.

CITY BRIEFS

Rev. G. E. Key went to Westminster Wednesday to conduct the funeral of Uncle Jim Hendricks.

Mart Winn Reeves, son of Mr. and Mrs. I. E. Reeves of this city, who is a student in the law department of the State university, Austin, is spending the holidays with his parents here.

McKinney will soon lose three fine families: A. B. Williams, Bert M., and Robt. C. Stone, who will go to Amarillo. The firm of Stone & Williams will engage in the dry goods business in that city. They are now shipping their stock, and will open there about Jan. 15. They will not move their families until later in the year—until homes can be procured. We regret to see these good people leave our city.

J. E. Cathey and family will move to Dallas on Jan. 15. For the past five years Mr. Cathey has been a resident of McKinney, being engaged in the furniture business on East Virginia street. He will close out his stock, shipping the remainder to Dallas. He will engage in the furniture business, on a much larger scale, with his brother in Dallas. Mr Cathey is a kindly, courteous gentleman, and has many friends in our city and county, who regret to see him and his excellent family leave our city. We wish them well.

Baptists to Hold Important Meeting

PASTORS, CHURCH OFFICERS AND REPRESENTATIVES TO MEET AT NORTH CHURCH MONDAY.

The first meeting of the Baptist pastors and workers from all the churches of that denomination over the county are to meet at the North Baptist church in McKinney, Monday, January 3, for their first county-wide meeting of the New Year.

The meeting is to begin at 10 o'clock a. m., with a devotional conducted by Mr. W. S. Smith of McKinney. Leading laymen and pastors from several churches over the county are scheduled to speak. Joe Bradshaw of Plano has agreed to speak on "Characteristics of Bible Leaders," and will confine his discussion to Moses, while Layman J. W. Howell, of Celina, will speak on "John the Baptist," and Pastors, Rev. J. H. Gerault of Frisco, will speak on Elijah, and Rev. A. B. Jenkins of Nevada will discuss 'Paul the Missionary."

Pastors from every church, with their representatives in the association, will be recognized and expected to report.

The sermon for the day will be delivered by Pastor R. F. Duncan, recently called to King Memorial church, McKinney.

The ladies of the North Church are preparing to serve lunch, and the occasion is expected to be one of delightful fellowship and of great good to all who attend.

Executive Board to Hold its Meeting

Following the lunch hour the Associational Executive Board will hold a business session and because of important matters, it is urged that every member be present. At the same hour, Mrs. W. D. Howell, president of the W. M. U. of the county, asks that all the Society presidents, secretaries and heads of committees of the Women's Missionary Societies over the county, meet at the North Church for an important business session.

The afternoon session will be given to discussion of some new plans and forward steps in Associational work and Kingdom enterprises. Every pastor and other represenatives will find it very profitable to attend this meeting.

Grayson Sheriff Names Deputy.

Sherman, Texas, Dec. 29.—Will May, Deputy Sheriff under Sheriff Floyd Everheart for the last four years, will remain in the service as office deputy under the administration of Sheriff-Elect Arthur Vaughan, who will take over the sheriff's department Jan. 1.

Mr. and Mrs. James Mahan and two daughters, Dorothy Jean and Gertrude, left Monday afternoon for Council Bluffs, Iowa, to visit relatives living there for two or three weeks. Mr. Mahan is an employe of the W. W. Pruett Monumental works of this city.

ONLY A FEW DAYS REMAIN

Before the Holiday Subscription Offers of The Daily Courier-Gazette and Weekly Democrat-Gazette Will Be Withdrawn.

Subscribe Now!

The Weekly Democrat-Gazette 1 year in Collin county only $1.00

(If you want the Semi-Weekly Farm News of Dallas you may get both Weekly Democrat-Gazette and the News for $1.50.)

The Daily Courier-Gazette, in Collin county only, outside of McKinney, for one whole year $3.50

(You may get both the Daily and the Semi-Weekly Farm News 1 year each in Collin county by mail $4.00

The Daily Courier-Gazette by carrier in McKinney, 1 year....$5.00

These offers will terminate Jan. 5, 1927. Send in your subscription now while you may make this substantial saving.

Perkins & Wilson

Editors, Publishers and Proprietors The Daily Courier-Gazette. The Weekly Democrat-Gazette.

FAREWELL SLAYER REVEALS TOTAL OF 13 KILLINGS

Revealing a catalog of crime mingled with generous impulses in caring for the children of a dead brother, the full statement purported to have been dictated by George I. Hassell, confessed slayer of his wife and her eight children at Farwell, Texas, was made public in full Tuesday by the authorities.

Hassell's statement made to County Attorney J. D. Thomas and Sheriff James Martin, tells how he killed his wife and his eight step-children after a quarrell involving oldest daughter, aged 14, and confesses the killing of another woman and three children in California.

He expressed a hope that the electric chair would be his fate, declaring he expects no sympathy or mercy.

The prisoner's wife and the children were discovered in a dug-out last Friday on their farm near here. Hassell stabbed himself with a knife as the bodies were being taken from their grave, and he is now recovering from his wounds in jail here. The statement was made as he lay on his jail bed. It was signed shortly after six o'clock Monday night.

◆ ◆ ◆

Native of Texas.

Hassell stated he was born in Smithville, Texas, in 1888. He then declared he got into bad company in Abilene, Texas, "drinking whisky and embezzling some money," for which he served two years in the Texas state penitentiary.

The day he was released, he enlisted in the army under the name of George Stovall, according to the statement. He deserted after a fight with an army cook and went to O'Valley, Texas, where he married.

One child was born to this union, and the couple lived together two years. Hassell then joined the Navy and went to San Francisco, where he deserted and made his way back to his family, only to find a reconciliation impossible.

Following this he details a checkered career ,in which he tells of the choking to death of a woman and her three adopted children in a California town which he refused to name. He said he lived with the woman but was not married to her. A series of quarrels led to that slaying, he said. He buried the California woman and and children under their house, the statement said. This was in 1915.

◆ ◆ ◆

Married Brother's Widow.

He married again, living with this wife only three months. He then went to work as a fireman on a railroad and later was with a pipe line in Fresno, Cal. After this he joined the merchant marine on the Pacific Coast and was discharged from this service in February, 1924, following which he married his brother's widowed wife after the brother had died from the kick of a mule. He desired to assume the care of the brother's eight children.

The eldest girl of the brother's family married and is now living in California.

In detailing the motive for the slaying of his wife and step-children, he admitted intimacies with the 14-year-old girl, the statement said. He said repeated quarrels with his wife over this matter led to the slayings.

On the night of Dec. 8, he had been quarreling with his wife and during the night went to the barn to take a drink of whisky. Returning to the house, the argument was re-opened.

◆ ◆ ◆

Eldest Boy Shot.

"I grabbed a hammer and hit her twice before I could stop myself" his statement continues. "I then choked her and when Sammy, the two-year-old child, began to whimper, I just reached over and choked him.

"Lord God, I would have given anything in the world if I had not made that first lick, but I had started it and was going to finish it."

He then told of killing the 14-year-old girl with a hammer and choking the two other young children. The two boys "put up a tussle," he said.

The oldest boy, Alvin, 21, was away on a threshing job and did not return until the following Sunday night. He told Alvin the family was visiting "Aunt Liddy in Shallowater, Okla.." After supper, Hassell said he played cards with Alvin until midnight, and then when the boy went to bed, he took a drink of whisky and shot the boy as he slept.

Cab Wallis, who resides about eight miles south of McKinney, was brought to McKinney Tuesday in the Sam J. Massie ambulance and was taken to the home of his son-in-law, George Hardin, who resides on South Chesnut street. He has been quite ill for some time.

The K. T. Barber shop, Ed Blankenship and George Hardin, proprietors, who have been running same on South Tennessee street, will move to the Giles McKinney building on East Louisiana street, which has been occupied by J. H. Baldwin & Co., brokers, on the first.

SUITS

$15.85

SPECIAL SALE

A wonder value. An all wool suit with two pair of pants. Many other suits in this sale representing the season's greatest values. By all means attend this sale.

Other Suits to $29.85.

Merritt Dry Goods Co.
House of Merit

BUSINESS CHANGE

JANUARY 1, 1927

I have sold an interest in my grocery business to Orlia J. Moss and the firm after January 1, 1927, will be GILES McKINNEY & COMPANY.

I will continue active in the business, devoting my entire time to buying and Mr. Moss will have entire charge of the sales' department.

For twenty-seven years at my present stand, I have had the pleasure of a wonderful trade and business from the good people of McKinney and Collin county. I have not words adequate to express my appreciation for the many kindnesses and courtesies extended to me.

Orlia J. Moss, a native of Collin county, is no stranger to the good people of this city and county. For many years he was with Price Stiff, for a quarter of a century a grocery merchant of McKinney, and probably no man is better known or more popular with people than Orlia J. Moss. Of courteous bearing, amiable and ever friendly, he numbers his friends by his acquaintances.

Orlia Moss will have entire charge of the sales' department of the new firm. He invites his many friends of the city and county for a liberal share of their patronage for 1927.

Beginning January 1, we will sell STRICTLY for CASH, goods only on thirty days' time. In adopting this new policy, we will do everything in our power if you will give us a liberal share of your patronage to lower your LIVING EXPENSES for 1927. By paying CASH and PAYING it PROMPTLY on Thirty days' time, we are in a position to save the good people of this city and county, as well as our firm and we assure you it will be our intention to save you MONEY and APPRECIATE YOUR PATRONAGE.

Giles McKinney & Co.

GILES McKINNEY
ORLIA J. MOSS

McKinney Weekly Democrat-Gazette

ESTABLISHED FEBRUARY 7, 1884. McKINNEY, TEXAS, THURSDAY, DEC. 30, 1926—SIX PAGES SECOND SECTION FORTY-THIRD YEAR.

SACASA TROOPS DISARMED

Floods Drive 2,000 Persons From Homes

MR. AND MRS. T. A. BROCK VISIT SON WHO WAS INJURED

Mr. and Mrs. T. A. Brock of Sherman are in McKinney attending the bedside of their son, Allen Brock, who had both legs broken Thursday in an automobile accident. Mr. Brock was standing on the running board of a car going to his home with a Christmas tree when the car on which he was riding was run into by another car, resulting with two broken legs as above mentioned.

Mr. Brock was taken to the City hospital where the broken members were set and Monday was reported to be resting fairly well. Both legs were broken below the knee and the right leg was badly mangled. The accident was greatly deplored. Mr. Brock is a motorman on the interurban and has numerous friends who regretted his sad misfortune.

DR. ESTES HELD SERVICES SUNDAY REYNOLDS HOME

Dr. C. W. Estes, pastor of the Central Presbyterian church, conducted services at the Reynolds Presbyterian orphanage Sunday afternoon at 2:30 o'clock, bringing a special Christmas message for the more than one hundred children in that home. Three children from that home are spending the Christmas holidays in McKinney. They are guests of Mrs. J. G. Fitzhugh, Joe Clendenen and Dr. Estes. The services by Dr. Estes Sunday were greatly appreciated by the children there.

SOME EAST TEXAS HOLLY FROM BURT LEHMAN AND WIFE

Real East Texas holly adorns the Daily Courier-Gazette and Weekly Democrat-Gazette office, as well as the homes of the editors. It is the usual Christmas remembrance of Mr. and Mrs. Burt Leman of the Lehman Printing establishment at Jacksonville, Texas.

The Lehmans were former employes of these papers and made their home in McKinney for about 10 years altogether. However, they moved away about 12 or 15 years ago and are doing well in a business way for themselves at Jacksonville. We appreciate these long time friends and their reasonable gift, which brightens and cheers our surroundings, as well as bringing to mind pleasant memories of our former business and social relations.

FORCED OUT IN NASHVILLE, TENN., BY HIGH WATERS

RELIEF IS PROMPT; CITY CHURCHES AND RESIDENTS' GIVE AID.

Nashville, Tenn., Dec. 27.—A flood in the Cumberland river caused approximately 2,000 persons to leave their homes Sunday night from North and East Nashville. Relief work, started Saturday, continues. Residents in the flooded areas were forewarned and had time to escape.

Neither deaths nor undue suffering had been reported Sunday night, in spite of freezing temperatures.

Late in the day the Cumberland river reached 51 feet, 11 above flood stage. A rise of another foot was anticipated by Monday, with a crest of 53.7 feet predicted by Tuesday. This would be within 1.6 feet of the highest on record.

A stage of 25 feet was reported from Chattanooga, with a forecast of 39 feet by Tuesday.

Throughout Middle and West Tennessee, where the Tennessee, O'Bien and other rivers, as well as the Cumberland, are on rampage, losses are heavy. Washouts on state highways, holding up traffic, are patrolled by State highwaymen.

JOE PHILLIPS DIED FRIDAY

Joe Phillips, a well-known farmer of the Weston community, died Friday afternoon about 4 o'clock, aged slightly more than 60 years. His wife and a number of children survive.

Burial was at Warden cemetery Saturday afternoon.

Deceased had resided in the community, where he died, all his life and was a substantial farmer and good citizen.

B. A. Comer, who has also recently passed away was best man at Mr. Phillips' wedding, their bodies being laid to rest in the same cemetery within an hour of each other.

Slain Girl's Body Carried Over Wisconsin Snow

Over the white Wisconsin country side the funeral procession of Clara Olson made its way to a little cemetery in Kickapoo Valley. The girl was murdered. Erdman Olson, her sweetheart, was accused of the crime.

Four Holdups Are Staged In Dallas; Five Missing Dallas Babies Found

BODY OF CHARLIE STEELE INTERRED AT WILSON CHAPEL

Charlie Steele, 30 years old, son of Mrs. Henry Steele of this city, died in Houston Christmas day. His body was shipped here for burial and was conveyed by the Sam J. Massie Undertaking company to the home of his sister, Mrs. R. C. Coleman on East Anthony street where funeral services were held Sunday afternoon, Rev. J. Ben Snider conducted the services. Interment followed at Wilson Chapel.

The deceased formerly resided here where he was in charge of the circulation of the Dallas Times Herald in this city. He had many friends who regretted to hear of his death. The deceased died suddenly with heart trouble.

DELICIOUS FRUIT CAKE GIFT MR. AND MRS. TURRENTINE

Christmas was not over for the force of the Daily Courier-Gazette and Weekly Democrat-Gazette, Saturday for Monday morning C. A. Turrentine brought in a beautiful fruit cake made by his wife, who is a culinary artist, and presented it to the force.

The cake was embellished with Christmas holly. It was daintily frosted in pink and covered with a layer of pecans. Not only was it beautiful to look at, but the interior with its delicious fruits, nuts and spices, was delicious. The entire force partook bountifully of the delicious cake and enjoyed it exceedingly.

Many were the expressions of appreciation of the lovely treat.

Newspaper folks have the reputation of always being hungry and such was the case Monday morning, and every appetite was satisfied.

CHRISTMAS DINNER AND REUNION WAS HELD ON SATURDAY

Christmas was observed by Mr. and Mrs. Isaac Crouch at their home on South Benge street with a family dining which the following brothers and sisters, together with their families, all attended: Sheriff W. A. Kerby and wife of this city, F. S. (Tine) Kerby, wife and two little daughters, Mary Ann and Joseph Katherine of Farmersville; M. P. Kerby, wife and three daughters, Ione and Elizabeth Ann and Mrs. Horace Moore and the latter's husband, all of McKinney; Pat Mayse, wife and two daughters, Georgia B. and Mary Jo of Sherman; Fred Holder and wife of Duncan, Okla. A cousin of Mrs. Crouch, Miss Nell Kerby who is a teacher in the Duncan, Okla., schools, was also a guest of the occasion. A delightful dinner and day was spent together by these relatives who are children and grandchildren of the late Mr. and Mrs. George Kerby, an honored pioneer couple of this city and county.

DRIVER OF MILK WAGON SLUGGED IN EAST DALLAS

Dallas, Tex., Dec., 27.—C. A. No'an, 2502½ Elm street, East Dallas, a milkman, was attacked by an unidentified hijacker when the milkman started to make a delivery in the 3000 block on Bryan street at 3 o'clock Sunday morning. No'an was knocked down and robbed of $5. He received first aid treatment at the Emergency Hospital and later was sent to his home and placed under care of a doctor.

Several squads of police searched the vicinity, but were unable to locate the robber. Police suspect the hijacker had trailed Nolan for some distance and was waiting for a favorable chance to slug him.

Search for five missing babies from a maternity home in Oak Cliff ended Monday morning when a nurse in the employ of the home telephoned from Oklahoma City that she had arrived there safely with the babies and would return in a few days.

The babies and nurse disappeared shortly after the home held its Christmas tree program Saturday. The police were notified and a search began at once.

The nurse who took the babies said she wanted to give them a Christmas trip and loaded them all into her small coupe and started for Oklahoma City to visit friends.

MRS. H. B. DOWELL TAKEN TO HOME OF AUNT IN THIS CITY

Mrs. Horace B. Dowell and children of Sand Springs, Okla., left in their automobile several weeks ago to spend the Christmas holidays in McKinney in the homes of Capt. and Mrs. J. S. Dowell and Miss Mary Kennedy. Mrs. Dowell and children stopped en route, in McAlister, Okla., to spend a few days with friends.

Mrs. Dowell was taken seriously ill with pneumonia, but recovered sufficiently to be brought to McKinney Saturday. She was met at the train by the Keller-Largent ambulance and was conveyed to the home of her aunt, Miss Mary Kenedy. She was accompanied to McKinney by her husband, Horace B. Dowell.

DR. W. R. HALL LEFT MONDAY FOR EL PASO

Dr. W. R. Hall left Monday for El Paso, where he will be pastor of the Manhattan Presbyterian church. Mrs. Hall and Warren and Ruth are visiting relatives in Granbury, and for the past two days and nights Dr. Hall has been a guest in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Henry W. Warden. Four years ago when Dr. Hall came to take up his work with the First Presbyterian church of this city he spent the first two days in the Warden home and the friendship beginning at that time has grown with the passing of the years.

J. W. HEMRICK WAS BURIED AT CLIMAX SUNDAY

J. W. Hemrick, 74 years old, died at the City hospital Saturday night at 11 o'clock after a serious illness of several weeks' duration. The body was conveyed to the Keller-Largent Undertaking parlors where it remained until 1 o'clock Sunday afternoon when it was taken to Climax for interment. Dr. Chas. W. Estes conducted the services.

The deceased had been in ill health for some time and was totally blind. He resided in the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. F. Coffman on East Anthony street. This couple did everything in their power to make him comfortable during his affliction.

A number of local citizens attended his funeral. He was appreciative and never lost an opportunity to express his appreciation of the many courtesies and acts of kindness that were administered to him during his illness.

DR. A. T. BRYANT OWNS ANOTHER R. OF M. COW

The American Jersey Cattle club, 324 West 23rd street, New York city makes the following announcement:

Rita's April Rose 480812, a senior three-year-old Jersey cow, owned by Dr. A. T. Bryant, of McKinney, Texas, has completed her test in which she produced 351.59 pounds of fat and 6,102 pounds of milk in 302 days and on two milkings per day. She carried calf for 226 days of this time and her milk averaged 5.7 per cent butterfat for the test. With this record she qualified for the Register of Merit of the American Cattle club.

ARTHUR F. HEARD APPEARED ON WFAA PROGRAM SATURDAY

Radio fans in McKinney listened with interest over Station WFAA Christmas night, when Arthur Field Heard, son of Mr. and Mrs. C. P. Heard, of this city, sang special Christmas solos. Mr. Heard takes voice under Mr. Behrends, prominent voice teacher of that city. Many expressions of approval were heard concerning the program in which he participated.

Arthur Field is associated with the Rankin-McAlpine Cotton company in Dallas. He spent Christmas with his parents in this city.

H. A. Finch Jr., was a visitor in Dallas Sunday.

ANNUAL STATE SWINE BREEDERS' MEET IN ENNIS

The state annual meeting of the Texas Swine Breeders' association will meet in Ennis in February, according to A. E. Flowers, president of the association.

This meeting will attract to Ennis 200 or more delegates, men who are interested in swine and all that they mean to successful farming. Ellis county has a splendid livetock organization and a swine breeders association.

MRS. T. W. WILEY VISITS OLD HOME IN MISSISSIPPI

(Dallas News.)

Brookhaven, Miss., Dec. 27.—An interesting visitor in Brookhaven is Mrs. T. W. Wiley of McKinney, Texas, who is a niece of the late Milton J. Whitworth, founder of Whitworth College. Mrs. Wiley is a guest of Mrs. A. E. Moreton, with whom she graduated from Whitworth college in 1868. The class was the first to be graduated after the Civil war, and of the six who composed it only Mrs. Wiley and Mrs. Moreton are left. As Miss Matt Hudson, Mrs. Wiley was brought up on the Whitworth plantation, later known as the Mikas place, a few miles south of Brookhaven, and a landmark in the vicinity until the burning of the picturesque antebellum home last winter.

Mrs. Wiley also will be the guest of her niece, Mrs. Charles Penn, while in Brookhaven. She has been visiting her son, Admiral Henry Wiley, U. S. N., of the Pacific fleet, and also has been in Florida en route here. Mrs. Wiley is a former president of the Texas Federation of Women's Clubs and is active in club work in McKinney, Texas.

VISITING HERE DURING HOLIDAYS

Ellsworth Bishop, student of North Texas State Teachers' college, Denton, is spending the Christmas holidays at the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. G. G. Bishop in McKinney. His sister, Mrs. W. W. Hardin, of Atlanta, Texas, is also spending the holidays here where her husband will join her for a portion of the holidays in McKinney.

Mrs. Addie Shell of this city spent the holidays with her daughters, Mrs. Forrest Wood and Miss Juanita Shell of Dallas. Miss Shell is attending a business college at Dallas.

BY BLUEJACKETS; PRESIDENT DIAZ RECEIVES WOUND

LIBERAL GOVERNMENT IS WITHOUT CAPITAL IN PUERTO CABEZAS.

Managua, Nicaragua, Dec. 27.—Declaring that Dr. Juan Bautista Sacassa, members of his Liberal cabinet and his troops, must either disarm or leave Puerto Cabezas, now a neutral zone, Rear Admiral Latimer commander of the American special squadron, are relieving Liberal forces in the zone of their arms.

Because of the American admiral's declaration, the Liberal government which was set up at Puerto Cabezas in opposition to the Diaz Conservative government, finds its temporary capital zone, and the Liberal Foreign minister has entered an earnest protest on the ground that it will have a most unfavorable effect on the new Liberal government.

Diaz Slightly Hurt.

Admiral Latimer has instructed the mahogany companies to pay taxes only to the Conservative government, which has been recognized by the United States.

Although it had been stated that President Diaz escaped injury when two men armed with machetes attacked the presidential carriage on Thursday night, the president on his return home found that the heel of his shoe had been cut and torn, and on further investigation discovered a flesh wound. Due to excitement at the time of the attack, the president had failed to notice his injury. Sunday he appeared entirely unconcerned over the attempted assassination.

Says Will Not Bring Peace.

Mexico City, Dec. 27.—"Armed intervention by the United States in Nicaragua in support of the Diaz government instead of bringing peace to Nicaragua will cause anarchy, many years of strife and great losses in property and lives," said Hernan Robleto Sunday. He is Undersecretary of Education in the cabinet of Dr. Juan Bautista Sasacasa, head of the Liberal government set up at Puerto Cabezas.

He has just arrived in Mexico City from the Nicaraguan fighting zone. The government to which he is attached has been recognized by Mexico, while the Diaz conservative government has been recognized by the United States.

FATHER AND SON HOSTS CHRISTMAS TO CHILDREN OF TENANTS ON FINCH FARM

Hon. H. A. Finch and son, H. A. (Farmer) Finch were joint hosts Thursday evening to the boys and girls ranging from 3 to 12, who reside on the Finch farms in Collin county.

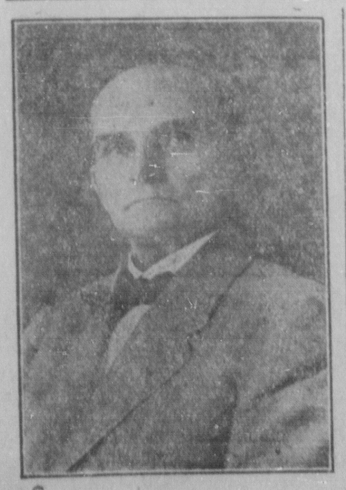
The forty guests arrived at the Finch home on scheduled time to enjoy a Christmas program. The drawing room was elaborately decorated in Southern ivy, Christmas bells and symbols. A warm fire glowed from the open fireplace and the atmosphere was Christmas-like everywhere.

R. M. Crabb, talented violinist of the city, played several Christmas numbers and at the conclusion of each selection he said, "Now, what little girl and boy can tell me what I played? And without hesitation, he received a ready reply. Mr. Crabb was astounded at their aptness in the contest and on close questioning he learned that they had been familiarized with these numbers in the music memory contest which is held every year in the McKinney public schools. Mr. Crabb was accompanied on the piano by his talented wife.

Miss Geneva Horn delighted the children with a number of Christmas stories. Her magnetis, her humorous stories. Mer magnetism her humorous told them, all delighted the children.

At the conclusion of the program, old Santa blew his trumpet, passed through the receiving parlors and bade the children follow him. They were ushered down to the basement where they viewed a large Christmas tree laden with gifts and stockings filled to the brim with candy, nuts and fruits. Every boy and girl received several gifts, besides their stockings of sweet meats.

The hospitality of Farmer and his father, will be long remembered by the young guests. Every child knows them both intimately, especially "Farmer," who visits the farms daily and comes in close contact with the children. The children feel that Senator Finch and his son both have magnanimous hearts and they will never forget their generosity and the role they played in making their Christmas a happy one.



SENATOR H. A. FINCH.

H. A. FINCH JR.

"Goody! Goody!" Exclaim Children As They Peeped Out of the Windows On Christmas Morning and Beheld the Snow

McKinney citizens fell into slumberland Christmas eve beneath a galaxy of stars twinkling merrily down from a canopy of blue. They were awakened Christmas morning to find that Mother Nature had laid down a six-inch blanket of snow which glistened under a glare of a bright clear sun.

Children Made Happy.

The kiddies of the city were especially delighted. The snow served to accentuate the spirit of yuletide. When they awakened early Christmas morning and rubbed the sand from their eyes preparatory to running to the next room and seeing what dear old Saint Nick left, their eyes caught a gleam of white through half drawn shades. They jumped out of the bed, drew the curtains back and let in the flood of golden sunshine, which was mingled with the dazzling glare of the snow.

"Goody, Goody," they exclaimed, as they stood at the window admiring the pretty snow-covered earth.

The children not only enjoyed the Christmas snow, but the adults did as well. It was the second thickest snow to fall in McKinney since 1914 and that was during the World war.

Sleds Noticeable.

Sleds were seen in the city Christmas day. Merry sleigh riders passed up and down the streets and their laughter of the novelty of it all could be heard in the far distance. Snowballing was also a popular pastime and snow men, all sizes and shapes, and in all postures was noticeable throughout the city. In some McKinney yards, the snow men looked like pieces of art, so realistic were they.

One little four-year-old lad was puzzled because the big snowman that he and his dad built only a few hours ago, melted away. He asked many questions concerning it and it seemed to puzzle him as much as the idea to some that the world is round.

The snow started falling in McKinney about 2 o'clock Saturday morning. The sleet fell first, forming a firm foundation for the snow. For several hours the pretty flakes fell without cessation.

Interurban cars ran slightly behind time all day Saturday. Traffic was slightly impaired. Later when the sun shone brightly, the snow began to melt, leaving the streets and sidewalks in a slippery condition.

Many Returned Home.

The observance of Christmas was confined mostly within the homes, the snow discouraging many automobile pleasure jaunts to faraway distances. Many family circles were swelled by the return of sons and daughters, and the visit of relatives and friends. Later in the afternoon, Saturday, automobiles began to drift into the main streets. Many of them were parked while the occupants were enjoying the theater.

The Christmas spirit was truly

(Continued on Page 3.)

Weekly Democrat-Gazette

PUBLISHED EVERY THURSDAY

TOM W. PERKINS WALTER B. WILSON
Editors, Publishers and Proprietors.

Also Publishers Daily Courier-Gazette. Established March 4, 1897.

Greenberry Adams, Circulation and Assistant Business Manager.

Entered as Second-Class Mail Matter.

To Weekly Subscribers—The date printed opposite your name on the margin of the paper or on the wrapper indicates the time to which your subscription is paid. All subscriptions expire on the first of the months. Any subscriber not receiving the paper regularly, please notify us.

One year in advance	$1.50
Six months in advance	.85
Three months in advance	.50

DAILY SUBSCRIPTION RATES.
Daily By Carrier.

One month	$ .60
Three months in advance	1.55
Six months in advance	3.00
One year in advance	6.00

Daily By Mail.

One month	$ .50
Three months in advance	1.25
Six months in advance	2.50
One year in advance	5.00

Both Local and Long Distance PHONES 65.

SPECIAL WEEKLY REPRESENTATIVES:
Texas Press Weeklies, Inc., 613 Mercantile Bank Bldg., Dallas, Texas.

McKinney, Texas.

Boost McKinney and Collin county.

A gentleman is a man that agrees with you.

Have you made those New Year's resolutions yet?

Even trying to foot a bill makes some folks kick.

Responsibility develops some men and ruins others.

A Roman theater in a cellar has been discovered in Baalbeck.

Do your part in making the world a better place in which to live.

The habit of telling white lies soon makes a person color blind.

Some fellows call rocks "stumbling blocks." Others call them "stepping stones."

Not all of the grads become bond salesmen. There are bottled-in-bond salesmen.

It is needless to find fault with yourself—plenty of people will do it for you.

Some publish their memoirs in book form and some air them in a divorce court.

This is the season of the year when all the little "kiddos" are as good as they can be.

Good times are those in which we stretch the credit we so sorely need in bad times.

The man who guesses that he can knock another man down is making a rough estimate.

It is the business of wise men to protect themselves against fire hazards here and hereafter.

Baroness Klinckowstroem, noted Swedish sportswoman, is riding horseback from Stockholm to Paris in 30 daily stages.

County Farm Agent Roy Saunders says that green bugs are not prevalent to any alarming extent in this county and are not appearing in any greater numbers than usual.

Bank bandits got $79,600 in Kansas City Friday. The dispatches stated that an armed guard was a few steps behind the messenger when the hold-up men appeared. But that was the last time the guard was mentioned—he seems to have faded out of the picture.—Sherman Democrat.

According to carefully compiled statistics, farmers of the United States lose annually $150,000,000 by fire or an average of $41,000 per day. Lumber enough is destroyed in farm conflagrations every 365 days to build 37,500 barns at a cost of $2,000 each. City fire losses are still much greater.

Comparatively little winter plowing has been done in Collin county this season. The fields have been too wet for the plowman. Much unpicked cotton and ungathered corn remain in the fields, principally for the same reason—too wet for farmers to finish up gathering crops. Also another cause is scarcity of labor.

Now is an opportune time to invest in McKinney city property or in Collin county farm land. Our county's decreased cotton production this year together with the slump in prices, have had the effect of somewhat stagnating and lowering the real estate market. McKinney and Collin county real estate can always be depended on to quickly recover from these occasional sags in the market.

Easy Street doesn't signify that the consciences are easy.

It's love, pure and undefiled if you can kiss her with joy at breakfast.

Modern idea of "roughing it:" Wearing the kind with short legs all winter.

This is the off-season for fish lies and golf lies, but there's the sleeping coroner.

Doubtless the kangaroo was nature's first abortive effort to produce a cheer leader.

A man's behavior on Sunday doesn't prove anything if his seven-day average is bum.

It's hard to determine a man's social rating until you discover which set he gossips about.

That fellow who says nobody in America has the grand manner doesn't know any janitors.

Always choose a bridge partner who has no diamonds. She won't mind concealing her hand.

Late esimates agree that 96 per cent of the Christmas presents will be paid for by March 1.

Collin county made one of her largest feed crops in 1926. This fact is a great relief to the farmers whose finances have been depleted by the slump in cotton and also by the total yield of beans produced in the county this year as compared with last. Plenty of corn and hominy are always comforting possessions.

Use your talent and it grows and you are happy because necessarily you help others. Bury your talent and you are miserable, because, necessarily, your worthlessness brings misery to others. Either misery or happiness love company, they are just lining up with their own product.—Greenville Messenger.

Down at Waco a few days ago the Pastors' association had before it the advisability of holding no funeral services on Sunday. This question was referred to a committee to work out plans in the interest of funeral directors. The action was not altogether surprising, for many cities have found that the multitude of funerals called for on Sunday interfere with the regular church services, and they have therefore requested that people either die on some other day than Sunday or wait until Monday for burial.—Hillsboro Mirror.

MORE MEN THAN WOMEN.

The belief that many eligible young women remain unmarried because there are not enough young men to go around is not justified. The census shows there were 104.4 white males in the United States to every 100 white females, 1920. Every census yet taken has shown more men than women in the United States. The boys are not living up to their opportunities, that's all, and maybe the girls are partly to blame. Too many young couples wait to begin where their parents left off and not many can.

THE SOUTH THE GREATEST LABOR MARKET IN THE UNITED STATES.

In a recent address to Eastern bankers George Gordon Crawford, president of the Tennessee Coal, Iron and Railroad company, one of the ablest and most thoughtful business men of the country, said, as quoted in the Manufacturers Record:

"The population of the Southern states is approximately 75 per cent white and 25 per cent negroes, both easily trained and efficient in manufacturing when trained. It is found that this population turns eagerly to manufacturing when afforded the opportunity in order to procure a higher standard of living than has heretofore been possible in agriculture, the profits of agriculture would increase, due to the operation of the law of supply and demand. The South is today the greatest, best and cheapest labor market in the United States."

Mr. Crawford's statement is entirely correct. The South has a great supply of labor. Its country region is overpopulated. The percentage of people living in the country is too great compared to the percentage living in cities. City population, through increased industrial employment, must furnish an increased market for farm products, and until this comes about it is impossible to find a ready market for all the diversified farm crops of the South or to find work for the educated boys and girls of the South who are so often forced to go to other sections in order to secure employment.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Holder of Duncan, Okla., spent Christmas in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Isaac Crouch and with other relatives and friends in McKinney.

Look and Learn

BY A. C. GORDON.

Thursday, Dec. 23, 1926.

1. What city's capture by the Americans led to the close of the Spanish-American war?
2. How much greater is the mass of the sun than that of the earth?
3. What was the leading article of export from the United States in the first half of this year?
4. What city of Massachusetts was once the principal whaling center of the world?
5. What is the flower symbol of December?

◆ ◆ ◆

Answers to Wednesday's Questions

1. Stationery gets its name from the early dealers in books, called "stationarii" (Latin), perhaps from the open stalls where they carried on their business. They sold books and later, writing material.
2. Six: Tyler, Fillmore, Johnson, Arthur, Roosevelt, Coolidge.
3. About 14 inches long and 5 inches wide.
4. Vermont.
5. Violet, indigo, blue, green, yellow, orange and red.

Friday, Dec. 24.

1. What is the largest flying bird?
2. Who was the greatest Greek statesman?
3. How many miles long is the transcontinentaly telephones stretched between New York and San Francisco, and how many states does it cross?
4. How many pecks are there in one bushel?
5. Where is the island of Cyprus?

◆ ◆ ◆

Answers to Thursday's Questions

1. Manilla.
2. 332,000 times that of the earth.
3. Cotton, valued at $234,486,000.
4. New Bedford, Mass.
5. Holly.

Saturday, Dec. 25.

1. What is the difference between German silver and sterling silver?
2. What poem published in 1866 was the best idyl of American rural life?
3. What city was the capital of the ancient Hebrew nation?
4. What building is the most perfect example of Greek architecture?
5. What motion picture director is the inventor of the "close-up?"

◆ ◆ ◆

Answers to Friday's Questions

1. The California condor, an almost extinct bird, having a wing spread of nine to ten feet.
2. Pericles.
3. 3,400 miles long and crosses 13 states.
4. Four pecks.
5. In the Mediterranean, near the mouth of the Gulf of Iskanderum.

Monday, December 27, 1926.

1. Which state in the U. S. has the longest coast line?
2. What is the science of articulate sound called?
3. What ancient city of Palestine was the birthplace of Jesus Christ?
4. What president of the U. S. was blind in one eye for several years before his death?
5. How many sheets of paper make one quire?

◆ ◆ ◆

Answers to Saturday's Questions.

1. German silver is an alloy of somewhat variable composition, but consisting approximately of copper 4 parts, zinc 2 parts, nickel 2 parts. Sterling silver is an alloy of 925 arts silver to 75 parts copper.
2. "Snow Bound," by Whittier.
3. Jerusalem.
4. The Parthenon in Athens.
5. David Ward Griffith.

Did You Ever Stop To Think?

By
Edson R. Waite, Shawnee, Okla.

Thursday, Dec. 23, 1926.

That business today is organized for the purpose of meeting and satisfying the wants of all the people.

That business not organized to do this needs working over.

That when a business does not function properly and is in the dumps, it needs to be awakened.

That advertising with its great pulling and boosting power will do much to get any business out of the dumps.

That there is no question but that the least expensive and most effective way to revive a business is by the right kind of advertising.

That it "can't be done" are words that should be forgotten. There are men everywhere every day doing things that some people think can't be done. If it needs to be done it can be done.

That when a business feels it must be done, then is the time to increase advertising and do it.

That a lot of business concerns are always waiting until they think conditions are right. In their way of thinking right conditions never come.

Conditions are always favorable for good advertising. Advertising is necessary in every business.

Friday, Dec. 24.

That you should buy products made or sold in your own home city.

That you should help to keep your local retailers, manufacturers and jobbers busy.

That by so doing, you will help yourself by helping your city.

That buying at home keeps money circulating.

That where money circulates prosperity is found.

That this money works for the betterment and improvement of the home city.

That it will make more families happy and more people contented.

That it will increase faith in your city.

That it will make business so good that people will stop bickering.

Buying at home is a great help to promote civic harmony and patriotism.

(Copyright 1926.)

Monday, Dec. 27.

James R. Alexander, former editor of the Zanesville (Ohio) Signal, says:

That the building of roads has come to be an important part of community life.

Every progressive city must have its important streets paved, of course, but more and more the far-sighted business men of any community are realizing the benefit—yes, the necessity—of aiding the country people in building or improving their roads so that travel can be continuous the whole year through.

With the extensive use of the automobile the construction of roads has become an economic factor which cannot be ignored. In taking the lead in this work the business men of a city have an opportunity to create an immense amount of good will, which is the greatest business asset.

Ethically, it is a fine thing to aid those who need assistance. Think of the benefit to those rural folk who need to get to town more frequently; to hear a concert, attend a lecture, go to church, visit, shop, take the children to a movie, buy an ice cream soda, mingle with people—in a hundred ways breaking the monotony of rural life. Mud-bound people have difficulty in getting quick medical attention—the building of roads for travel the whole year around will save lives.

Did you ever stop to think that, as your brother's keeper, it is your duty (as it will be a great happiness to you) to help your brother to get out of the mud?

(Copyright 1926.)

Mrs. Victoria Lynch, who resides on North Tennessee street, this city, was wearing a large fur coat downtown on her Christmas eve shopping tour of our stores, that is a prized family heirloom, as well as a comfortable article of clothing, on such an inclement day as Christmas eve was this year. The cape was purchased by one of her ancestors in Germany 85 years ago and cost then an equivalent of $15.00 in American money. The cape is well preserved and seems to be as serviceable as it ever was, notwithstanding it has been in use for more than three-quarters of a century.

Lee Neal and wife have lately located in McKinney where Lee is presiding over one of the chairs in the Sanitary Barber shop which business is owned by R. L. Martin. Lee is a son of the late J. B. Neal, a highly esteemed citizens who died four years ago, on his well improved farm about five or six miles northeast of McKinney. Lee is a brother of J. Willis Neal, Princeton banker. After an absence of three or four years from McKinney, Lee and his wife, whom he married about a year ago in West Texas, have decided to take up their permanent residence in his old home town.

Texas--And Her Vastness

By J. MARVIN NICHOLS
Dallas, Texas

Being a Review of Historical Facts Which Make the Beginnings of Things Worthy of Remembrance.

NO. 51.

Parmer—1907.

Organized 1907; created August 26, 1876.

Built out of original municipality of Bexar.

Farwell, the county seat.

In the naming of this county, Texas honored another Virginian, Martin Parmer. He was one of the members who formed the Constitution of Missouri. Came to Texas in 1825, and settled in what is now Cherokee county. Took part in the famous Fredonian War in 1827. Member of the Constitutional Convention in 1836. Died in 1837.

◆ ◆ ◆

Garza—1907.

Organized June 15, 1907; created August 21, 1876.

Built out of the original municipality of Bexar.

Post, the county seat.

The Legislature of Texas, in 1876, ordered this county named Garza, in honor of a distinguished Spanish family of San Antonio, whose generations have been there over 200 years. This family was identified, soul and body, with Texas as a Spanish claim, as a dependency of Mexico, as a Republic, as a State, and as a member of the Southern Confederacy.

◆ ◆ ◆

Lamb—1908.

Organized 1908; created August 21 1876.

Built out of the original municipality of Bexar.

Olton, the county seat.

Named for Lieut. George A. Lamb, a South Carolinian, killed at the battle of San Jacinto. Came to Texas in 1834. One of the tender pages in Texas history is his record just before he entered the struggle that cost him his life.

◆ ◆ ◆

Andrews—1910.

Organized 1910; created August 21, 1876.

Built out of original municipality of Bexar.

Andrews, the county seat.

Named for Richard Andrews who came to Texas in 1818. Established a trading post on the Brazos where Richmond now stands. He and his sons were noted Indian fighters. He was the only man killed at Mission Concepcion, when Bowie and Fannin routed 400 Mexicans.

◆ ◆ ◆

Upton—1910.

Organized 1910; created February 26, 1887.

Built out of Tom Green county and original municipality of Bexar.

Rankin, the county seat.

Named for two brothers—John C. and William F. Upton. The former came to Fayette county in 1859 and was killed at Manassas in 1862. The latter came to Texas in 1853. Died at Schulenberg in 1887.

◆ ◆ ◆

Winkler—1910.

Organized April 5, 1910; created February 26, 1887.

Built out of Tom Green county and original municipality of Bexar.

Kermit, the county seat.

Named for Judge C. M. Winkler, who reached Robertson Creek from North Carolina in 1849. Eminent in legal and official life of Texas. Died in Austin in 1882.

◆ ◆ ◆

Culberson—1911.

Organized 1911; created March 10, 1911.

Built out of El Paso county and original municipality of Bexar.

Van Horn, the county seat.

Named for David B. Culberson, famous Texas jurist, whose son became Governor of Texas and United States Senator. Born in Georgia September 29, 1830. Came to Texas in 1856 and located at Jefferson. Became Colonel of 18th Texas Infantry. Elected to Congress in 1878 and successively until 1902, when he retired. Died at Jefferson in 1905.

◆ ◆ ◆

Jim Wells—1911.

Organized 1911; created March 11, 1911.

Built out of Nueces county and original municipality of San Patricio.

Alice, the county seat.

Named for a native Texan—James B. Wells—born on an island in Aransas Bay. His father was in the Navy. One of Texas' great lawyers, but seems not to have cared for political preferment.

◆ ◆ ◆

Brooks—1912.

Organized 1912; created March 11, 1911.

Built out of Hidalgo, Starr, Zapata and Live Oak counties, and original municipality of San Patricio.

Falfurrias, the county seat.

Named after Hon. J. S. Brooks, a Kentuckian, who came to Texas in January, 1877. Followed the cowboy life along the cattle trails of the Plains. For 24 years was with the Rangers. In 1911 elected to the Legislature from the newly created county which bears his name.

Willacy—1912.

◆ ◆ ◆

Organized 1912; created March 11, 1911.

Built out of Cameron, Hidalgo and Nueces counties, and original municipality of San Patricio.

Raymondville, the county seat.

This county was named after a farmer who came to Texas from Kentucky. He served his State both as a Representative and as a Senator.

Daily Lessons In English

By W. L. Gordon.

Thursday, December 23.

Words Often Misused: Don't say "climb down." "Climb" means to ascend.

Often Mispronounced: Imbecile. Pronounce both I's as in "it."

Often Misspelled: Effervesce; sce, not ess.

Synonyms: Occupation, vocation, profession, pursuit, employment, business, duty, trade, work.

Word Study: "Use a word three times and it is yours." Let us increase our vocabulary by mastering one word each day. Today's word: Basic; pertaining to a base; fundamental. "Here are the basic principles."

Friday, December 24.

Words Often Misused: Don't say "it was a delightful dinner." Say "delicious" as pertains to the senses.

Often Mispronounced: Inaugurate. Pronounce the second u as in "unit," not as er.

Often Misspelled: Inconceivable.

Synonyms: Apparent, probable, likely, presumable, seeming, evident.

Word Study: "Use a word three times and it is yours." Let us increase our vocabulary by mastering one word each day. Today's word: Callous; hardened; insensible; unfeeling. "She treated his remarks with callous indifference."

Monday, December 27.

Words Often Misused: Don't say "these chairs are both alike." "Both" is redundant and should be omitted.

Often Mispronounced: Incomparable. Accent second syllable, not the third.

Often Misspelled: Assent (agree to); ascent (upward.)

Synonyms: Recreation, diversion, amusement, entertainment, pastime.

Word Study: "Use a word three times and it is yours." Let us increase our vocabulary by mastering one word each day. Today's word: Arrogance; an undue degree of self-importance; haughtiness. "He entered the room with overbearing arrogance."

PROFESSIONAL COLUMN

DR. E. L. BURTON
Announces the association of his son.
EDWIN W. BURTON, A. B., M. D.
DRS. BURTON & BURTON
Eye, Ear, Nose and Throat
Office and Sanitarium,
132 S. Tenn. St., McKinney, Texas.

1878 — 1926
ABSTRACTS—FARM LOANS
We have been making reliable abstracts for 46 years.
Plenty of money for Farm Loans.
COLLIN COUNTY ABSTRACT CO.
H. A. Abernathy, Prop.

S. J. Massie & Son
FUNERAL HOME
Dependable Friends
in
Time
of
Need
Superior Funeral Directing
Phone 464.

Don't Forget
I am still fitting glasses.
Fox Bldg., over Howell & Lucas.
28 years in McKinney.
DR. J. F. COLE
Licensed Optometrist.
"Been Here a Long Time."

DR. L. E. HOARD
Dentist
Office over Central State Bank,
North Side Square.
Office phone 26, Residence 468.

R. C. Merritt, E. W. Merritt,
C. A. Leddy
Merritt, Leddy & Merritt
Attorneys-at-Law
Dallas Office, 725 Great Southern Life Bldg., McKinney Office, Merritt Bldg.

R. B. DAVIS
Fire Insurance and Real Estate.
Let me handle your property whether for sale or for rent. Phone 414, McKinney, Texas.

Dr. J. Knight
OSTEOPATH
Office: Fox Building.

BICYCLES
Quality Bicycles at reduced price for Christmas only.
Also a number of rebuilt ones.
LARSON CYCLE CO.
117 South Tenn St.

WOODS' JEWELRY & OPTICAL SHOP
220 East La. St.
Watch, Clock, Jewelry and Spectacle Repairing.
Correct Fitting of Glasses.
Satisfaction Guaranteed.

Typewriter paper in 10c and 25c package at this office.

TEXAS JERSEY BREEDERS ANNUAL STATE MEET IN DALLAS JAN. 6-7; JAKE GIBSON, MELISSA, PRESIDENT

The annual meeting of the Texas Jersey Cattle Club will be held at the Adolphus hotel in Dallas on Thursday and Friday, January 6 and 7, 1927.

W. M. (Jake) Gibson of Melissa is president and D. T. Simons, Route 3, Fort Worth is secretary and field man.

Following is the program of the two days' annual meeting:

* * *

January 6, 1927.

10:00 a. m. Meeting of the Board of Directors.

1:00 p. m. Annual meeting called to order.

Greetings from Dallas and Dallas County.

Response from the Club.

Address: "How the Farmer should feed your Jersey Cow," A. L. Ward, Dallas, Texas.

Address: "Good Pasturage as a Factor in Economical Dairying," J. A. Whitehurst, Oklahoma City.

Address: "Maintaining the Health of the Dairy Herd," R. P. Marsteller, College Station.

Address: "Purposes and Organization of a Successful Milk Campaign," J. W. Ridgway, Fort Worth.

Appointment of Committees.

7:30 p. m. Banquet, Adolphus Hotel. T. O. Walton, President Texas A. & M. College, principal speaker.

* * *

January 7, 1927.

9:00 a. m. Meeting called to order.

Address: "Testing and its Importance," A. L. Darnell, College Station

Address: "Opportunities for the Dairyman in Texas," Deal E. J. Kyle, College Station.

Roll call.

Reading of minutes of last annual meeting.

Report of officers.

Report of committees.

11:00 a. m. Election of officers.

Unfinished business.

New business.

Adjournment.

Meeting of new Board of Directors.

R. D. CALDWELL DIED AT CLIMAX WEDNESDAY, DEC. 22

R. D. Caldwell, Climax merchant, about 12 miles east of McKinney, died at 1 o'clock Wednesday afternoon, Dec. 22. The deceased, who was 60 years old, had lived in the Climax community many years. He engaged in farming most of his life, but for the last year or two had engaged in merchandising at the Climax store.

The deceased is survived by his wife and three children, who are Prof. Charles Caldwell, a member of the North Texas State Teachers college faculty at Denton and Sam Caldwell who lives at home with his parents. The other child is a daughter, formerly Miss Dora Caldwell, now Mrs. Jessie Gordon of Lockney, Texas. He is also survived by his wife and one brother, J. N. Caldwell of near Farmersville.

The deceased was a cousin of Dr. James A. Caldwell of McKinney. He was one of our county's most respected citizens whose death will cause sorrow in many hearts.

Interment took place at 3 o'clock Thursday afternoon in the Van Winkle cemetery about one mile east of Climax.

The John K. Wilson Undertaking establishment of Princeton had charge of the funeral and burial arrangements.

MRS. J. K. PRESTON 70, DIED SUNDAY AT CULLEOKA HOME

Mrs. J. K. Preston, aged 70, died December 19, at the family residence at Culleoka, 10 miles southeast of McKinney and was buried at 3 o'clock Monday afternoon Dec. 20, in the Clear Lake cemetery. She and her aged husband formerly lived in the Clear Lake community. Rev. W. J. Cunningham, Baptist minister, conducted her funeral services. The deceased was a good christian woman and mother, who is survived by her husband and several grown children.

These editors extend sincerest sympathy to her beloved old companion and the surviving children and other relatives.

The John K. Wilson Undertaking establishment of Princeton had charge of the funeral and burial arrangements.

LITTLE 7-YEAR-OLD LAD BURIED AT PRINCETON

Alton Dean, little 7-year-old son of Joe Dean, a tenant on one of Ike Dillow's farms east of McKinney, died Dec. 17, and was buried Dec. 18, in the Princeton cemetery.

The little fellow was an invalid and suffered much in his young life time. He is survived by his parents and several brothers and sisters.

Funeral services were conducted by Rev. W. J. Cunningham, Baptist minister.

The John K. Wilson Undertaking establishment of Princeton had charge of the funeral and burial arrangements.

PASSING OF JOE POWERS AT PRINCETON

Joe Powers, aged 68, was buried in the cemetery at Princeton, 7 miles east of McKinney at 2 o'clock Wednesday afternoon, December 22. He was a member of the Methodist church, the pastor there, Rev. G. C. Haburn, officiated at his funeral services, assisted by Rev. W. J. Cunningham, the Baptist pastor. The deceased had not been ill very long and died of paralysis in the McKinney City hospital at 8 o'clock a. m., Tuesday, Dec. 21.

The deceased had lived in Collin county for many years and followed cattle buying and farming most of his life. He is survived by seven children, two sons and five daughters, all grown and married. His wife and one child were killed in the destructive Princeton cyclone on April 20, 1912. The deceased was well known in McKinney and other parts of the county. His many friends are mourning his death.

John K. Wilson, Princeton undertaker, was in charge of funeral arrangements and the burial.

FATHER OF ARCH ELLIS DIED IN PADUCAH, TEXAS

Arch Ellis of this city received a message Thursday announcing the death of his father, Rev. J. A. Ellis, 67 years old well-known Methodist minister of Paducah, Texas.

The body will arrive in McKinney Saturday morning at 10 o'clock and will be taken in charge by the Sam J. Massie Undertaking Co. The funeral services will be held at Forrest Grove Saturday morning at 11 o'clock. The services will be conducted by Rev. J. Ben Snider of this city.

The deceased is survived by six children as follows: Arch Ellis, McKinney; Guy Ellis, Bonham; Willie Ellis, Emma Ellis, Minnis May Ellis, all of Paducah, and Laura Ellis of Dallas. His wife died about 11 years ago. He was born in Arkansas and came to Texas 30 years ago.

These papers extend sincere sympathy to Arch Ellis of this city, and other bereaved relatives in the loss of their loved one.

STONE & WILLIAMS CLOSE BUSINESS; TO GO TO AMARILLO

The Stone & Williams Dry Goods store, which has been doing business for several years closed its doors Friday. Messrs. Bert Stone, R. C. Stone and A. B. Williams, owners, expect to leave at once for Amarillo, where they will be engaged in the dry goods business there.

The Stone & Williams firm moved their store from Celina to McKinney, five years ago. During that length of time they have enjoyed a splendid patronage, carried a first-class stock of merchandise and were successful in their undertakings. Although McKinney citizens regret to lose these splendid business men and their families, they extend them hearty good wishes in their new field.

CULLEOKA COUPLE WERE MARRIED IN CITY THURSDAY

Miss May Lepeard, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. R. L. Lepeard of Culleoka, and Elmont Snavely, son of Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Snavely, of Culleoka, were married Thursday afternoon at 5 o'clock in the home of Jeff Smith of this city. The ceremony was performed by the Rev. J. Ben Snider. The couple will reside at Culleoka.

The bride is one of the efficient teachers in the Princton schools. The groom is connected with one of the gins in Farmersville.

The young couple went to Dallas and Mexia on their honeymoon.

The bride is a niece of Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Lepeard of this city.

THOMAS FORBES ONCE RESIDENT OF M'KINNEY

Capt. Thomas Forbes, prominent sherman, citizen was buried there Thursday. He died Sunday, December 19. His burial was delayed for several days for the arrival of relatives from California and Louisiana.

The deceased was a cousin of Mrs. Helen Bowlby of McKinney. About 50 years ago, Capt. Forbes lived in McKinney for two or three years, during which time he managed a dry goods store on the west side of the public square. He soon after that located in Sherman and made a fortune in the cotton business.

* * *

McKinney Dry Goods Merchant.

Capt. Thomas Forbes, 74 years old, cotton man and capitalist, died at his home here Sunday afternoon.

The son of a sea captain and ship owner, Captain Forbes was born in New Orleans. He spent several years there in the forwarding department of the Morgan Steamship company following his graduation at Virginia Military institute.

About 1870 he came to Texas with recommendations from Colonel Morgan and others, and found work at Houston, later following the Houston & Texas Central railway as it was building north, stopping at McKinney. He was manager for a dry goods establishment in McKinney, and later formed business connections with a forwarding company at the terminal when the road reached McKinney. From that point he forwarded freight by wagons to North Texas and Indian Territory merchants and as the road was built into Sherman in the early '70s, settled here and formed a partnership with Captain Birge, now dead.

Captain Forbes was successful in business and continued his associations with the Birge-Forbe cotton firm until his death.

For more than fifty years he was a citizen of Sherman. His residence here was built by Chief Justice Tom Brown and later occupied by Governor Wilson N. Jones, a retired Choctaw capitalist.

He was chief of the fire department when the first engine, a Silsby engine, was purchased to build up the fire fighting apparatus in thos days when water was obtained from surface wells and cisterns.

Surviving Captain Forbes are his wife and four children, Ed. R. Forbes and T. G. Forbes of San Diego, Calif.; Mrs. Bessie Forbes House of Houston and Frank Forbes of Graham.

LEONARD RAY IS BACK HOME AGAIN

Leonard Ray, who has been spending several weeks in San Angelo representing the Southwestern Life Insurance company, has returned to his home in McKinney and thinks that he is here now for keeps. He is well pleased with the portion of the West that he visited and says that business in that section is good, but there is no place like McKinney as a home town and business center.

While in San Angelo, Leonard had the misfortune of falling and sustaining injuries which confined him to his room for some time but has practically recovered since the accident. He is the son of R. L. Ray, district representative for the Southwestern, and is a worthy young man in every way. His many friends are glad to see him back home again.

Mothers!

Nature has a way of telling us when something is wrong. If your child is fretful, peevish, with a loss of appetite, it is Nature's danger signal for Intestinal Intoxication. Before retiring, give one NR Junior with a full glass of water, there will be no perturbing or stirring up, the action will be natural, consequently no griping or sickening sensations, neither will there be any risk of forming a habit requiring increased or continued doses. Faulty elimination and constipation will be corrected and the animated, invigorated good feeling restored.

¶ NR Juniors are little candy coated NR Tablets, one-third the medicinal strength of the regular NR Tablets, that have proven safe and dependable for over 30 years. Keep the children well and happy. Get a 25c box of NR Juniors.

NR TO-NIGHT TOMORROW ALRIGHT

SOLD BY YOUR DRUGGIST MITCHELL'S DRUG STORE

ALLEN BROCK, MOTORMAN ON INTERURBAN, HAS BOTH LEGS BROKEN IN AN AUTOMOBILE ACCIDENT HERE ABOUT NOON THURSDAY

A sad Christmas accident occurred in McKinney at noon Thursday when Allen Brock, motorman on the interurban had both legs broken in an automobile accident. The accident occurred at the intersection of Hunt and North Tennessee street.

Brock was riding on the running board of a Ford car driven by Grover Grubbs. He was holding a Christmas tree on the outside of the car, which he was carrying to his home, only a few doors within the scene of the accident. He has a little son and was taking the tree home hoping to bring pleasure to the little lad at Christmas time. A Dodge touring car collided with the Ford car knocking Mr. Brock to the ground resulting in his legs being broken, as above stated. The right leg was badly crushed and mangled. The name of the driver of the other car could not be learned.

W. C. Patterson, local automobile dealer, who was passing at the time, took the injured man to the City hospital where the broken members were set.

Mr. Brock has a host of friends who were greatly grieved to hear of the deplorable accident and hope that he will make a speedy recovery.

Balanced Winter Diet

MORE than ever the need is now recognized for variety in winter meals.

Health demands plenty of salads, fruits and vegetables this time of year as well as at any other.

These, as well as your other foods and milk—are kept most appetizing and nutritive in a good refrigerator, well filled with our pure, crystal clear ice.

A few cents a day provides you with *convenient, dependable* ice service.

McKINNEY ICE & COAL COMPANY
Phone 125

QUALITY FOODS

Are the only kind served at our cafe.

IMPERIAL CAFE

Masonic Bldg. N. Ky. St.

Doyle and Ramsey Harris, sons of Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Harris, have returned from Granbury, where they spent the Christmas holidays with their grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. W. S. Harris.

Dr. Edwin W. Burton was a visitor in Dallas Sunday.

MARRIED AT McKINNEY.

J. H. Mize, one of our highly esteemed citizens, was united in marriage to Mrs. W. T. Mize Thursday of last week. The ceremony was performed at McKinney by County Judge A. M. Wolford.

Mr. Mize has purchased a residence in the southwest part of town of D. A. Taylor and he and his bride will move into is as soon as they can get possession. The Record joins the many friends of Mr. and Mrs. Mize is wishing them happiness and prosperity.—Celina Record.

Cupid visited the local post office on Christmas eve when H. N. Johnston and Miss Lena Heaslett, both of this city were married at 11 o'clock Friday morning in the office of Wallace C. Wilson in the post office building. The ceremony was performed by Rev. G. O. Key of this city. Mr. and Mrs. Johnston are both efficient employes of the post office. Mrs. Johnston is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Heaslett of this city. They have a host of friends who wish them much happiness in their wedded life.

DOBSON & COMPANY TO OPEN OFFICES HERE JANUARY 1

Dobson & Co., will open up a first class dry goods store in this city January 1, in the building formerly occupied by Stone & Williams on the south side of the square. McKinney extends this new firm a hearty welcome and wish for them much success. The Stone & Williams store has moved its headquarters to Amarillo, Texas.

GOODY GOODY CRY CHILDREN WHEN SEE SNOW

(Continued from page one.)

prevalent throughout the city. The Christmas trees at the various churches were an attraction. A yuletide dance was held at the Elks hall and a number of informal parties have already been given in the city and others are planned for the holidays.

* * *

One of Happiest Yuletides.

Without doubt, this Christmas will be recorded as one of the very happiest in McKinney's history, the reason assigned to the unusual Christmas cheer, which was prevalent during the beautiful six-inch snow. It seemed more like a real Christmas to McKinney folks. Everywhere there was found cheer. Family circles gathered at firsides for friendly chat and affectionate visits, while the warmth from the flames sent the cheery Christmas spirit racing throughout their veins.

LOCAL NEWS

Afton S. James subscribes for the Weekly Democrat-Gazette and pays ahead to Jan. 1, 1928. Welcome.

* * *

C. H. Alkin, a Princeton cotton buyer, subscribes for the big Weekly Democrat-Gazette. Charlie is a fine fellow.

* * *

W. L. Bailey of Blue Ridge renews for the Weekly Democrat-Gazette. Mr. Bailey is a well-known Northeast Collin farmer and citizen.

* * *

S. D. Cook, Allen, Route 3, who runs the Baccus farm near Rowlett, subscribes for the Weekly Democrat-Gazette until Jan. 1, 1928.

* * *

John Davis, owner and manager of the North Side restaurant at Prosper, subscribes for the Weekly Democrat-Gazette. We welcome him to our list.

* * *

J. H. Horton of Westminster will read the Democrat-Gazette next year. He is a new man on the list of readers and we are glad to have him as such.

* * *

J. F. Holt, Route 3, Allen, enrolls for the Weekly Democrat-Gazette for a year in advance. We welcome his name to our big family of subscribers.

* * *

J. C. Story, who lives nine miles northwest of McKinney and runs the Day farm, becomes a reader for 1927 of the Weekly Democrat-Gazette. Welcome.

* * *

D. B. Toombs of Princeton, Route 1, who owns a fine farm near Climax renews for the Weekly Democrat-Gazette. Mr. Toombs is one of East Collins's best citizens.

* * *

R. C. Roberts, general merchant of near Chambersville, renews for a full year for the Daily Courier-Gazette. Mr. Roberts is highly esteemed in his community and is a success in his business ventures.

* * *

W. C. Bryant who lives west of Frosper and cultivates over 100 acres of fine black land is a new subscriber to the Weekly Democrat-Gazette. Mr. Bryant is advocating and practicing diversified farming.

* * *

C. M. Moon, vice president of the First State Bank, Celina, subscribes for the Weekly Democrat-Gazette. Celina is a thriving, progressive little city, made so by such enterprising citizens as Mr. Moon.

* * *

L. A. Tucker of Princeton is a new subscriber to the Democrat-Gazette. Mr. Tucker has purchased a farm in Raines county and wants the Collin county news to follow him to his new home there.

* * *

Mrs. W. S. Warner, Box 161, Mission, Texas, is a new reader of the Weekly Democrat-Gazette. The paper was ordered for her by Nannie Wells, Route 2, Farmersville. We thank all parties concerned.

* * *

G. W. Webb, McKinney, Route 5, renews for the Daily-Courier Gazette for a full year, in advance. Mr. Webb is a successful farmer of the Lowery Crossing community and is one of Collin county's best citizens.

* * *

Rev. J. A. Old was in Dallas Wednesday afternoon to conduct funeral services for Mrs. Mary E. Bumpas which were held at the Ervay Street Methodist Church in that city. Rev. Mr. Old was formerly pastor of this church.

* * *

Alton Love and Miss Ollie Melton, both of this city, were married Saturday evening at 6:30 o'clock in the home of the Rev. Ab Snider. Following the ceremony, they left for a brief honeymoon and will return to McKinney to reside.

* * *

Eugene Warden, a popular life insurance man of Farmersville, subscribes for the Weekly Democrat-Gazette. Mr. Warden was reared at Blue Ridge, but has been in Farmersville for the past twelve years.

* * *

E. W. Rollow of Nashville, Tenn., was a visitor in McKinney Wednesday and attended the Lions club Wednesday at noon. The Rollow family formerly resided here and their many friends are always pleased to see them.

* * *

John Kindle, who is with the Lone Star Gas company with headquarters at Dallas spent the Christmas holidays with his mother, Mrs. G. B. Kindle and family of this city. Mr. Kindle is a former student of the A. & M. college.

* * *

C. J. and W. B. Turney, sons of S. P. Turney of Plano, were injured recently when the touring car in which they were riding was struck by a southbound H. & T. C. passenger train. The car was demolished and the two brothers were slightly injured.

* * *

A Trantham, Route 1, Melissa, is a brand new enrollment on the Weekly Democrat-Gazette subscription list. Mr. Trantham has lived in the Melissa section of our county for a number of years. We have known and long appreciated his acquaintance.

* * *

be pleased to know that she was able to be removed to her home on West Virginia street Friday. Mrs. Newsome submitted to two minor operations in the city hospital recently and is getting along splendidly which will be most gratifying to her hosts of friends here.

* * *

W. J. Higgins, well-known McKinney contractor and highly respected citizen, called at this office Wednesday and ordered the Weekly Democrat-Gazette sent to his daughter, Mrs. T. W. West, who reside east of Anna. He sends the paper to her as a Christmas gift. We thank Mr. Higgins for his subscription and hope that his daughter will enjoy the paper.

* * *

The combined weight of the 10 children of Isaac J. Forbes, of Leroy, Ill., is something more than a ton, and with one exception, each weighs over 200 pounds. They inherit their size from Mr. Forbes, who was one of a family of 11 Kentuckians. Six of the children are boys and four are girls.

* * *

C. R. Osburn, prescription druggist and drug store owner at Melissa and dealer in Sherwin-Williams' paintr wall paper, stationery cigars, toilet articles, sends his check to renew for the Daily Courier-Gazette for the year 1927. We appreciate the patronage of Mr. and Mrs. Osburn and their cultured children.

* * *

Little Miss Alta Mae Fordham of the Woodlawn community, three miles northeast of McKinney, was a welcome visitor at this office Wednesday, leaving some Santa Claus letters to be published. She stated that her mother, Mrs. R. E. Littlejohn, is fast recovering from a broken arm, sustained three or four weeks ago while trying to crank a car.

* * *

W. F. Raney was struck by an H. & T. C. car on East Anthony street about noon Christmas day. Besides the driver, Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Reecer were passengers in the car. Mr. Raney and Mrs. Reecer received only minor injuries. Mr. Reecer was badly cut on the neck and other parts of the body. He was taken to the City hospital where he was reported to be getting along nicely.

* * *

M. L. Taylor, Route 8, Bellevue, Texas, sends the cash to renew for the Weekly Democrat-Gazette. He also takes the Semi-Weekly Farm News at club rate. Mr. Taylor was reared in this county in the Wetsel community. We are glad to have the renewal from this old time friend, who bought land and moved to West Texas a few years ago.

* * *

Miss Annie Ruby Long, teacher of expression in the Melissa school, presented twenty of her pupils in a recital at the school auditorium Wednesday night. Thursday night several pupils of the school were presented in a play. Miss Long is a graduate of the McKinney High school and has studied several years under Miss Hester Hendricks and at Carr Burdette college in Sherman.

* * *

Mr. and Mrs. E. G. Horn of this city had as their 12 o'clock dinner guests Sunday the following: D. P. Wilmeth, Mrs. Anna Lane of Fort Worth and her son, Ben Lane of Parsons, Kansas. At 6 o'clock they had as their dinner guests, Mr. and Mrs. D. P. Moser of Ballinger; Mr. and Mrs. Warren S. Cook and children of Dallas and Mr. and Mrs. Briley and children of Dallas. All are cousins of Mrs. E. G. Horn.

* * *

Wallace Bomar an excellent painter has been following his trade with the Texas Cotton Mill plant of this city for the past four months. Wallace is a son of George Bomar an honored old settler of the Bomar Chapel community, five miles northeast of McKinney. Tom Riley, another painter is working with Mr. Bomar in repainting the interior of our big cotton mill plant owned by the enterprising C. R. Miller Mfg. Co.

* * *

D. C. Hill of this city had the misfortune of having his brand new Chevrolet car stolen Wednesday night somewhere between 9 and 10 o'clock. Mr. Hill parked his car near the side entrance door at the Elks hall on Hunt street. Wher he came out to get his car several hours later, he found it gone. The theft was reported to local officers but no clue to the thieves has yet been found.

* * *

W. M. Felty, Route 1, Melissa, renews his Weekly Democrat-Gazette subscription for another year in advance. He also enrolls for the Semi-Weekly Farm News at our special holiday clubbing rate with that paper. He thinks our weekly and the Farm News make a mighty fine combination of reading matter. We think so too, and commend him for his good judgment in selecting them.

* * *

Mrs. M. L. Vermillion of Westminster called at the Daily Courier-Gazette and Weekly Democrat-Gazette office Wednesday and ordered the Weekly Democrat-Gazette to be sent to her daughter, Miss Edith Vermillion, 1861½ East Third street, Los Angeles, Calif. for the year 1927, as a birthday present. Mrs. Vermillion is sending our weekly to three daughters, who appreciate reading about home news.

* * *

H. A. Pair and Miss Maggie Roberts were married Friday night in the home of the Rev. Ab Snider. The groom is the son of F. T. Pair of this city, and the bride is the daughter of A. J. Roberts of the Bois d'Arc community. They will reside in McKinney.

* * *

Mrs. Oscar E. Smith, 1220 Lipscomb street, Fort Worth, renews here for the Daily Courier-Gazette until April 1, 1926. Mrs. Smith and her husband both were reared in McKinney where they have a host of relatives and good friends. Mr. Smith is district postal inspector and has held this and other responsible positions in Uncle Sam's postal department ever since he has been grown. He is a highly respected citizen and federal official.

* * *

W. B. Benge, Santa Maria, down in the valley country in Southwest Texas, renews for the Daily Courier-Gazette. Will Benge has a host of good friends in McKinney and other parts of Collin county, who would like to see him return to McKinney to reside sometime in the future, here where his ancestors and family have been honored and useful citizens in various walks of life throughout the history of our county.

* * *

Fred Wolfe, 5533 Miller avenue, Dallas renews for the Daily Courier-Gazette for three months. Mr. Wolfe owns the bill-board system of advertising in several North Texas towns including McKinney. His steel panels, located in McKinney, are real ornamental in their appearance. We are glad to have Mr. Wolfe represented on our subscription list. He has read the Daily Courier-Gazette for several years and renews his subscription for three more months. We thank him.

PROFITABLE SIDE LINE

We started to raise fine chickens more as a hobby or side line but it has proved so profitable when most every thing else is selling below the cost of production that we intend to enlarge our plant. Eggs and poultry prices have always held up at this time of the year regardless of now cotton sells. The important thing is to have high laying birds instead of scrubs that only lay in the spring when eggs are cheap. It would pay every farmer that does not have good laying birds to sell off his mixed flock and start over by securing hatching eggs or day old chicks from a flock that he is SURE are high producing birds at this time of the year. We are in position to supply you with hatching eggs or day old chicks from as high producing flock as can be found in Texas. Come see us gather the eggs regardless of the weather.

Dr. R. A. Verdier

VERDIER POULTRY FARM, 314 Barnes St., McKinney

FARM LOANS 5% Why Pay More?

Let us change your loan to a lower rate—5% interest—no more. One rate, one deed of trust. Write, phone or come to our office over Collin County National Bank.

T. A. CURTIS

A. M. RUSSELL
—FARM LOANS—
McKinney, Texas
West Side Square

THANKS

We thank every one who has contributed in any way to our success, since we have been in McKinney.

We shall enter into the New Year, ever mindful that we would make little progress without customers and friends.

We heartily solicit your good will, influence, and patronage the coming year, and will try every day to put thanks into our service.

A. D. Hope & Sons
McKinney

666

Is a prescription for
Colds, Grippe, Flu, Dengue, Bilious Fever and Malaria.
It kills the germs.

EGGS, MORE EGGS! STILL MORE EGES!

The egg market is good. Why not get the full benefit of it? You can do it by feeding PURINA HEN CHOW and PURINA CHOWDER, the unsurpassable egg mash. My stock is always fresh and complete. PRICES are LOWER than ever before.

T. L. (Lou) ROBERTS McKinney, Texas. 333 Virginia St.

Blue Ridge Couple Find That It Pays to Diversify; Have Bees and Turkeys

Well, the time of the year is here when we begin to figure up on our year's work to see what our balance is; so when we pick up the item of cotton, we soon see we have no balance, or in other words, the balances are "in the red" with us this year.

I find that on 30 acres of cotton I got two bales from which I received $125.75. For making this crop I was out $300.00 in money so I find that I was "in the red" $174.25, besides my own labor. Besides the two bales of cotton, we made plenty of corn, have our meat and milk and butter, too. The next year I figured the dollars and cents from the cotton for it is considered the money crop. But when I strike something else I find that there is some money in something else.

Now we come to the item B, which is the honey bee. January 1, 1926 I commenced with 28 hives which I valued at $5.00 per hive, to equal $140.00; the expense on the 28 hives was $25.00; total investment $165.00. From these 28 hives I realized $196.00 for honey and saved twelve young hives which are worth $60.00 at $5.00 per hive. So, in the windup, I find that I have $171.00 in money and forty hives to go into 1927.

This brings me to article C, which is the last but by no means the least. The good wife started the first of the year with four turkey hens. She said she was going to beat my crop. I might just as well shell down the corn. She did—from the four turkey hens. She raised and sold $185.50 worth of turkeys, so right here I'll stop figuring before I figure myself out of anything. She might go still further ahead if I would let her count in the chickens and eggs and and butter.

I am willing to stop right here, so I will just hand it over to her and agree with her that the thing for us to do is to raise our living at home, so I will close by wishing the Daily Courier-Gazette and Weekly Democrat-Gazette and all of its readers a merry Christmas and a happy New Year.

J. M. JEFFCOAT.

Blue Ridge, Texas.

REAL RELIGION AND MEMORY ARE PASTOR'S TOPICS

Excellent services were held at the North Baptist church Sunday. Good crowds attended all services. The pastor announced that next Friday night a watch service for the entire church would be held in the church auditorium. The program will begin at 8:00 p. m. and will continue until 12:01 a. m. He also announced that there would be a wedding some time during the service.

The pastor's subject at the morning hour was, "Heartfelt Religion." "The greatest need of our churches today is that we have more heartfelt religion. If your religion does not go below your collar button you do not have much religion," the pastor pointed out. "The heart is the seat of all life, and is also the seat of all passions and affections. From the heart comes all our incentives, and motives. If our heart is not right, our motives will not be right. One is not saved by their feelings but if they are saved they will feel it in their hearts," he emphasized.

"We see the need of heartfelt religion when we see so much sin on the part of church members and indifference manifested. We see it again when we see Christians seeking their own glory instead of glorifying Christ." He closed his sermon by giving several Bible illustrations of heartfelt religion.

At the evening hour the auditorium was filled to hear the pastor's message on, "The Voice of Memory and Its Message." "The greatest thing in the world is memory. As we stand here tonight what does memory have to say to us? The first thing is that time is short. Before we have realized it one year has passed. If we are going to do anything we had better be up and about it. Then memory reminds us of our failures and successes and the awfulness of sin. But the best thing of all is that memory tells us of the sacrifice that Christ made on the Cross for a lost world." The pastor then pointed out how, in the other world, memory would tell the lost of the sins, their lost opportunities and of the ones that they had helped to bring to hell. He closed his sermon by showing that, for the saved man, memory had a blessed message. The pastor illustrated his sermon.

The Sunday School and B. Y. P. U. was well attended despite the bad weather.

Just a few more mixing sets left for Borden's malted milk. Be sure and get yours before they are gone. Special sale this week. Giles McKinney.

Miss Mabel Hill of Iowa Park, a teacher in the public schools there, is spending the holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. D. W. Hill.

White Billows Flour costs less but it's good as the best.

MEN'S BIBLE CLASS AT FIRST BAPTIST

Harvey Harris presided at the opening exercises of the Business Men's class of the First Baptist church Sunday for the last time in his official capacity as president of the class. Mr. Harris is leaving the city the first of the year for Dallas where he with his family are to make their future home. Mr. Harris has served the class the past year very efficiently as their president and at the conclusion of the lesson Sunday morning the men stood with bowed heads in remembrance and love of the retiring president who had so graciously led the men in their work the year just drawing to a close.

A committee was appointed as follows: W. S. Smith, chairman, Earl Walker and Vernie Graves, who will on Next Sunday morning place some one in nomination to be voted upon by the class to serve as their president during 1927.

Dr. M. E. Hudson, pastor of the First Baptist church brought the message to the class Sunday morning and was given the closest attention by the men.

YOUTH SAVES HIS COMPANION FROM BURNING GASOLINE

Sherman, Texas, Dec. 24.—Presence of mind on the part of Paul Dial, Democrat employe, when Hubert Stephens of Sherman was covered about the head, shoulders and arms with burning gasoline following an explosion on the road half a mile east of Flowing Wells Tuesday afternoon, saved Stephens from suffering serious burns.

Dial and Stephens were helping a tourist get his car started when gasoline, with which Stephens was attempting to "prime" the engine, exploded. Dial jerked off his overcoat and, throwing it closely about Stephen's head and arms, smothered the fire. Stephens' burns were painful but not serious.

Why pay more for flour not as good as White Billows Flour?

Robert Board, who attends Texas Tech college at Lubbock, is the holiday guest of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. F. O. Board.

John Hill who teaches in the College of Marshall at Marshall, Texas, is the holiday guest of his mother, Mrs. J. H. Hill and sister, Miss Mae Hill.

Mr. and Mrs. E. C. Limbocker of Dallas, spent Christmas with Mrs. Limbocker's mother, Mrs. Laura Anderson and other relatives here.

TEN REASONS FOR BEING THANKFUL FOR PROHIBITION

The American people have to thank God for national prohibition:

1. Because it has taken from our prisons 55 out of every 100 who had been going drunk according to federal census reports.

2. Because it has decreased alcoholic insanity by sixty per cent.

3. Because it has decreased deaths from drinking liquor by fifty per cent, and total deaths according to federal and life insurance reports at a rate of about 200,000 per year.

4. Because according to federal reports it has decreased juvenile crime from 172 per 100,000 to 161 per 100,000.

5. Because, according to federal census on admissions to prisons, except murder, banditry and one or two other forms of crime it has decreased crime on an average of 50 per cent.

6. Because under it church attendance is better, membership increasing at the rate of 1,890 per day, contributions to all benevolent funds and to missions have greatly increased, and the pastors' salary increased from a general average of about $600 per year to a general average of about $1,400 per year. They need it.

7. Because persons having savings accounts have increased from 11,295,931 to 43,850,127 and the amount on deposit from $8,192,000,000 to $23,134,052,000.

8. Because closing 200,000 saloons known as "the poor man's club" prohibition has built about 2,000,000 homes, or "poor man's castles," or 10 "castles" to each saloon closed.

9. Because the wealth of America has increased from 220 billion dollars total value in 1917 to 375 billion in 1925, a net increase of 155 billion, 42 billion of which is directly due to prohibition, or a net value from prohibition to each man, woman and child in America of $52 per year, or $364 for the seven years.

10. Because the Anti-Saloon league which performed the major function in bringing these conditions about, did its work on a total expense through a third of a century of just 33 cents for each man, woman and child, and the Federal government is spending just 15 cents for each man, woman and child in enforcing the law, and making the bootleggers pry 10 cents of that in fines, penalties et cetera.

FIVE BODIES ARE COUNTED IN WRECKAGE

Rockmart, Ga., Dec. 24.—Two fast Southern trains, the Ponce de Leon Special and the Royal Palm Limited, had a head-on collision near here early Thursday night and twenty persons are thought to be dead and many more injured.

Little progress had been made several hours after the accident toward removing the bodies of the injured, a heavy rain, darkness and confusion among passengers handicapping rescue workers.

◆ ◆ ◆

Victims Are Removed.

As fast as the victims were removed, however they were brought to the local undertaking chapel. Some of the more seriously hurt were given refuge in homes, while others were taken to a hospital at Rome, near by.

The wreck occurred when the northbound Ponce de Leon Special from Jacksonville, running late and making more than fifty miles an hour on a downgrade, failed to take a switch and crashed into the Royal Palm Limited, Chicago to Miami, which was waiting for the other train to pass on a siding.

The engine of one of the trains was thrown from the rails by the impact and cars piled up in a mass of wreckage.

Many persons were said to have been at dinner in the dining car when the crash came, and it is in this car that most of the casualties are thought to have occurred. It has not been determined to which train the dinner was attached.

◆ ◆ ◆

Both Trains Crowded.

Wrecking crews and relief trains have been rushed to the scene from half a dozen near-by points.

Both trains were said to have been filled with passengers homeward bound for the holidays.

MAN CHARGED WITH SLAYING BRIDE TO BE TRIED ON JAN. 6

Sherman, Texas, Dec. 24.—The case of G. D. (Dewey) Ball, held without bail on a charge of murdering his 16-year-old wife with an iron pipe as they were going to church north of Hagerman, on the night of Nov. 21, has been set for trial Jan. 6 in Fifty-ninth District court.

Ball, who is 28 years old, was arrested the day following the killing. It was first reported that Ball's wife met death when the horse drawing the buggy in which they were riding ran away and she fell and was caught by the singletree in such a manner that the horse kicked her on the head several times.

Officers made the arrest after they found a blood-stained iron pipe about eighteen inches long near the buggy, which was overturned but not scratched.

At an examining trial Ball pleaded not guilty and his father, Frank Ball testified that Dewey Ball had been afflicted with epilepsy for about twenty years.

BATHTUB DID NOT MAKE APPEARANCE UNTIL YEAR 1852

Chicago, Dec. 13.—Despite the fact that our forefathers were rigid believers that cleanliness was next to Godliness, the bathtub did not make its appearance in America until 1842 and the first bathtub to be installed in the White House was for President Millard Filmore in 1852, according to J. M. Price, of Indianapolis, in an address here.

"Agitators throughout the entire country took up arms against the bathtub when President Filmore introduced it in the White House," said Mr. Price. "Legislators tried to pass laws against it, the Philadelphia council failing passage, by two votes, of an ordinance prohibiting bathing between Nov. 1 and March 15.

"Although the medical fraternity predicted an epidemic of rheumatic fevers and inflammatory lungs, the truth prevailed.

"Bathing was popular in old Roman times, the municipal baths being historically famous, but in England in 1830 bathing indoors was unheard of. It was late in the thirties when Lord John Russell had a tub built in his place and it was this tub that was seen by Adam Thompson, grain dealer of Concinnati, O., while the latter was traveling in Europe. On his return to America, he had one built in his home at Cincinnati and it started a nation-wide controversy over its merits and faults. In 1850 President Filmore visited Cincinnati, saw the Thompson tub and two years later had one built in the White House."

Little Miss Joyce Annette Bush, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Walter Bush, is quite ill Monday.

SAVE WITH SAFETY The Rexall Store

PROMPT AND ACCURATE PRESCRIPTION SERVICE

A complete stock of fresh, pure prescription drugs and pharmacists of skill and experience, these are the reasons you always get prompt, accurate service on physicians' prescriptions you bring here to be filled.

Free Fast Delivery Service.

NORTH SIDE DRUG CO.

Dyer & Jones

Phone 10 and 460.

The Rexall Store

OUR ONE STANDARD

In filling prescriptions and dispensing medicines we adhere to one standard—absolute purity. It is the only way we can assure you of our reliability.

Our pharmacists exercise the greatest of caution of compounding prescriptions and follow the doctor's directions rigidly. And yet charges are moderate.

Mitchell's Drug Store

Phone 320.

"Mitchell Has It"

For Prompt and Courteous

Ambulance Service

Phone 123

KELLER-LARGENT UNDERTAKING CO.

Phone 123.

(Successors to Sam J. Massie Undertaking Co.)

Isaac Crouch, Funeral Director.

NOT STRANGE THAT ONE-FIFTH SCHOOL CHILDREN ARE ILL

New York, Dec. 7.—It is not strange that nearly one-fifth of the school children of the United States are always home with colds in the winter time; it is strange that there are not more sick children, declared G. E. Otis, heating and ventilating engineer, in an address here on school equipment.

"There are five different strata of temperature in the ordinary school room with radiator heat and windows partly open in the effort to get a supply of fresh air," said Mr. Otis. "Where the cold air pours in, it may be zero. Close to the radiator the thermometer will read 90 degrees. Temperature at the floor is 60 or less. Near the ceiling the temperature will be around 80 degrees.

In some of the best parts of the room the temperature will be at the correct level of 70 degrees.

"Exposed to this variety of temperature will be about forty children, dressed differently, most of them with too many clothes on and some not dressed warmly enough. Their feet will be cold and their heads hot. Those near the heaters will be perspiring even though a cascade of chill air is falling on their heads.

"In an ordinary living room in a residence, this sort of condition does not make much difference because the people will always seek the comfortable parts of the room. But a school room has to hold forty children who have to stay in it where they are put. When it is generally understood that heating and ventilation are inseparably linked together and that their proper control has to be done scientifically, a long step will be made toward the health of school children and many little lives will be saved."

PLANO GAS COMPANY TO BEGIN WORK SOON

The Gas company of Plano is getting ready to begin work at once on the main line. The rain has interferred with the work to some extent; however, work is progressing very satisfactorily on the main line. The main line has been built to within a few miles south of the city.

The gas company has rented the old post office building where a large stock of equipment and supplies have been stored to be used in putting down the mains in Plano.

VISIT OF PLANO MAYOR TO AUSTIN SAVES NEAT SUM

Mayor J. T. Horn recently made a business trip to Austin in behalf of the citizens of Plano, and as a result of this trip the citizens are saved the neat sum of $3,000 yearly, in fire insurance rates.

Despite the fact that Plano had a regular paid nightwatchman on duty for the past few years, the commission had failed to give the city credit on the insurance rate. This was Mayor Horn's reason for going to Austin. After placing the matter before the proper authorities the mayor was advised that the reductions in the insurance rate would become effective at once.

While there Mayor Horn met Gov.-elect Dan Moody, and saw other of his friends who now reside in the capital city.—Plano Star-Courier.

CARD AF THANKS.

We cannot find words to express our gratitude to our many dear old home friends in McKinney, who assisted us by acts or comforted by sympathetic word in our recent bereavement and crushing sorrow. We love McKinney and our many good friends there and your latest expressions of sincerest friendship touch our hearts with gratitude more deeply than ever.

Thanking one and all for everything you did or said, we are

Sincerely,

MRS. NELLIE PIERCE AND FAMILY.

Fort Worth, Texas, Dec. 24, 1926.

Card of Thanks.

Through the medium of the press, we wish to extend our sincere thanks to each and every one for all that you did for our loved one in his recent illness and for us after his passing on to the land where no suffering nor sorrow ever comes. Your ministrations, tender words and beautiful flowers all tend to console us in our bereavement. May God bless and richly reward you is our prayer.

Very sincerely,

MRS. R. D. CALDWELL AND FAMILY.

Climax, Texas, Dec. 27, 1926.

FOOTBALL PLAYERS VISIT HOME FOLKS

Fay Wilson and Alton Swain spent Monday and Monday night in this city coming from Ponca City, Okla., where they had been with their football team for an exhibition game. These young men are members of the Buffalo, N. Y. professional football club, and now that the season is closed in the North and East, they are touring the South. They play in San Antonio on Christmas Day, and expect to go to Florida from there. Their club has had a wonderful season, and is rated as one of the best professional teams in the East. Fay was under contract play two games recently with the New York Giants, but a two foot snow prevented the games from being played.—Honey Grove Citizen.

WHAT OF THE NEW YEAR?

The days to come hold forth promises of many opportunities. Will you be financially fixed to welcome them? The only way to make sure is start an account at this bank where service is complete and friendly.

CENTRAL STATE BANK

"A Big Friendly Bank."

Member Federal Reserve System.

CLEANING AND PRESSING

Have your garments cleaned and pressed often. It rejuvenates them and they look like new and wear longer.

SANITARY DRY CLEANING SHOP

W. M. SHIPLEY

PHONE 49.

Harris Service Is Human Service

Phone 36.

To set a standard of excellence for others to follow—To render a type of service that shall be a guide to all in our profession—has been and always will be the aim and efforts of the Harris Institution.

HARRIS FUNERAL HOME

A GOOD RESOLUTION FOR 1927.

Buy your Groceries from

GILES McKINNEY

SANITARY GROCERY Phones 31-32.

Herman Posy and wife, who was formerly Miss Elizabeth Wheeler, and Miss Grace Wheeler, all of Ardmore, Okla., spent Christmas with their parents, Rev. and Mrs. M. F. Wheeler. The party left Sunday for Hillsboro to visit Mr. Posey's parents. Miss Lillian Wheeler joined the party at Hillsboro.

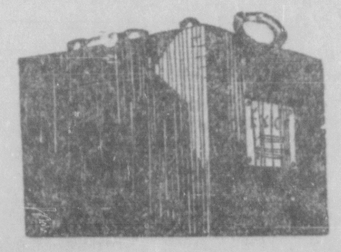
Mrs. P. O. Dowlen, formerly Miss Ruth Brown, who has been the holiday guest of her parents, Hon. and Mrs. George P. Brown, left Monday for Chicago, where she will join her husband who is in that city on business. Mr. and Mrs. Dowlen will return home via McKinney.

Mrs. J. F. Drake of Memphis, Tenn., is spending the holiday's with W. C. Davidson and family of this city. Mrs. Drake's husband is a former McKinney boy and now is a linotype operator on the Commercial Appeal at Memphis, Tenn.

Mr. and Mrs. Grover Hight and sons Howell and Joseph, and Mrs. Roy Caldwell and children, Roy Jr. and Kathryn, visited their father and grandfather, M. V. Howell and family at Seagoville, Christmas day, returning home Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. H. A. Finch spent Christmas with Mr. and Mrs. J. Lyman Davis in Sherman.

Exide



The batery many makers try to imitate.

Exide Battery Station

KARL TALKINGTON. C. J. SMITH

East Louisiana Street.

DRUGS

Scientific accuracy and prompt service have established our reputation as the most dependable drug store in this community.

Smith Drug Co.

Don't Say Drug Store, Say "SMITH'S"

Phone 395.

CONFIDENCE

The management of this Bank believes that its first duty is to conduct its affairs as a public trust; and to merit and hold the confidence of its depositors and the public.

Safe Deposit Boxes to Rent.

THE COLLIN COUNTY NATIONAL BANK

McKinney

4% Paid on Time Deposits.

BOARD OF DIRECTORS

L. A. Scott, F. B. Pope, Dr. J. C. Erwin, Henry W. Warden, J. S. Heard, Geo. Wilcox, J. P. Crouch, Giles McKinney, T. E. Craig, Thos. Johnson.

JUNIOR RED CROSS COOPERATING WITH PUBLIC SCHOOLS; IS ONLY BOY AND GIRL GROUP WORLD WIDE SCOPE

Mrs. J. L. Lovejoy, chairman of the Junior Red Cross of the local Collin County chapter of that organization, is co-operating with the school authorities of the county, in launching a program that is the only organization of boys and girls world-wide. The Junior Red Cross is widely known to educators and has received round-table discussion at the national meeting of superintendents in Washington and at the World Education conference. It works through and with the schools, supplementing their work and offers to children a wide variety of interesting and useful things to do which releases the creative power with which all are endowed and puts it to work in the service of itself and others.

* * *

School Is the Unit.

The plan of organization makes the school, public or private, the unit of membership and not the individual. Children who join the organization wear a button bearing the motto "I Serve." There are 5,738,648 school children enrolled in the American organization and with the children of forty other countries are creating bonds of friendship and understanding.

* * *

World Wide Work and Scope.

In speaking of this international phase of the work, Mrs. Lovejoy states that Siam has been the latest country to organize for Junior Red Cross service. While money is not necessary for the promotion of a successful program, a service fund is often raised by juniors that the value of friendly service above that of the mere givink of money, the maintenane of fund is practical application that money should not be used alone for personal enjoyment but for the power of doing good. Some of the ways that the National Children's fund has been used has been in the sending of a hundred thousand boxes of Christmas cheer to children of other countries. One hundred boys have received vocational education at Albania; the Austrians have given a beautiful estate to the Junior Red Cross organization which has been made into a sanitarium. In Hungary, playground work has been established as well as the development of native art; while in Rumania the chief work has been that of health education with doctor and nurses in charge. All this has not meant work at home has been neglected, and especially interesting service has been that of the work with the Indian schools. A native teacher has been supplied who is assisting in the preservation of the almost lost art of the Navajo rug weaving.

* * *

60,000 Juniors in Texas.

In Texas, over ninety-nine thousand juniors have been enrolled and the programs developed have been largely of the children's planning. They will include the employment of nutrition workers, and the supplying of dental services, hot lunches in schools, gifts of their own making to the orphans' homes in Texas, cheer to soldiers at Veteran's Bureau hospitals at Christmas, Easter and other fete days, book showers for children of less fortunate environment, the beautifying of school grounds, the collections of pictures and magazines for children's libraries, the protection of bird, animals and flowers, and co-operation with adults in the promotion of community programs. All the activities undertaken have been character building and the citizenship of a later generation is bound to benefit from this younger one in community and world's service.

PLANO BOY, CONSUL ABROAD, SAILED FOR HOME DECEMBER 11

Samuel W. Honaker, son of Mrs. B. E. Bowman, formerly of Plano, but now of Dallas, with his wife, sailed from Smyrna, Turkey, December 11, for the states.

Mr. Honaker has been serving as American consul for the past two years, having been appointed to succeed the late Consul Major Embrey, who was killed by an angry mob in Persia.

Mr. and Mrs. Honaker will arrive in Washington, Dec. 31. After a brief stay there they will come here for a visit to relatives and friends. Mr. Honaker will not return abroad but has been detailed to work in Washington.—Plano Star-Courier.

Come Drink With Us.

We are adding new friends every day—persons who demand purity, quality and cleanliness. Drinks, cigars, candies. Olmypia, West Side Square. "Just a little better service."

CITY BRIEFS

Dobson & Company will move to the store room now occupied by Stone & Williams on the first.

R. A. Ray and wife have returned from Dallas where they were guests at the annual meeting of the Southwestern Life Insurance company.

Stone & Williams closed their big store Friday night and are busily packing all of their goods, preparatory to moving them to Amarillo, where they will engage in business.

Mrs. Ray Duncan of near Foote had the misfortune of losing eight large turkeys which were killed by dogs near her home Monday. The turkeys were worth about fifty dollars.

A. P. Wheeler of Dallas spent Christmas with his parents, Rev. and Mrs. M. F. Wheeler. He is connected with the Willys-Knight Motor company and has just returned from a trip to Toledo, Ohio.

Invitations to the wedding of Miss Helen Jane Tidwell, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Albert Tidwell, of this city, which is to be in the Palm Garden of the Adolphus Hotel at Dallas at high noon, Tuesday, Dec. 28, have been received by friends.—Celina Record.

ATTENDED CALDWELL FUNERAL AT CLIMAX

Dr. James A. Caldwell and wife of this city attended the funeral of his cousin, R. D. Caldwell at Climax, 12 miles east of McKinney Thursday afternoon. The deceased was a highly esteemed old settler of that community and for the past year or two conducted a general merchandise store there, where he had lived for many years.

Among others attending the funeral were: Gibson Caldwell, Mrs. A. P. Kerr, S. H. Shipman, Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Carroll, W. J. Shipman, Walter B. Wilson, one of the editors of this paper, and perhaps others.

BODY MRS. NORRIS BURIED HERE WEDNESDAY

The body of Mrs. Katherine Norris, aged 46 years, arrived here Tuesday night from Wichita Falls and was taken to the home of Russell Marsh nephew of deceased, where it remained until Wednesday afternoon, when it was laid to rest in Celina cemetery, after services at the home.

Deceased was before marriage Miss Carrie Pullen, sister of Will Pullen, formerly of this community, now living in Dallas. Her first marriage was to Roy Douglas of Van Alstyne. Her death occurred at Wichita Falls Tuesday.—Celina Record.

Mrs. Daisy Bolton of Lake Charles, La., is spending the holidays with her mother, Mrs. J. W. Hamilton in this city.

EDITOR PAT MAYSE AND FAMILY HERE FOR THE HOLIDAYS

A. G. (Pat) Mayse, wife and two daughters, Georgia B. and Mary Jo of Sherman were guests of McKinney relatives for a portion of the Christmas holidays. Mrs. Mayse is the sister of Mrs. Isaac Crouch and of Sheriff Will A. Kerby both of this city, where she was also reared and where her husband was for sixteen years connected with these papers.

Pat is now vice-president and general manager of the Sherman Daily and Weekly Democrat and is one of the ablest and most popular newspaper men in the state. He was given a cordial welcome everywhere he went in our city and on our streets by his multitude of friends here.

F. J. (Tennie) McCown of this city is foreman of construction work for the Louisiana Electric company that is installing a new electrical light system about seven miles east of McKinney. The Louisiana Electric company, a few months ago, purchased the old electric light plants at Farmersville and Princeton for which they are substituting modern plants for. This company owns extensive properties in East Texas, extending this way as far as Princeton. Tennie McCown is an experienced electric line construction worker, who has followed that business in various parts of Texas and in other states in recent years. His family resides in McKinney where he was born and reared. His mother and other relatives also live here.

Miss Juanita Yarbrough has returned to Austin after spending Christmas in McKinney as a guest of her parents Prof. W. L. Yarbrough and wife at their home on South Tennessee street. Miss Juanita, who is a graduate of the State university, holds a responsible position with the H. C. Burk Bonding company at Austin. She is one of McKinney's most talented and best educated young women who is achieving success in business circles.

F. S. Kerby, manager of the Haydon grocery store at Farmersville, renews for the Daily Courier-Gazette for a year in advance. Mr. Kerby is a brother of Sheriff W. A. Kerby of this county. He is a member of one of our oldest and most estimable families.

SUITABLE HOLIDAY GIFTS THAT COST VERY LITTLE MONEY

No more appreciated Christmas or New Years present can be given to your father, mother, brother, sister, husband, wife, son, daughter, neighbor or friend, than the Daily Courier-Gazette or Weekly Democrat-Gazette. Such a present costs very little money and its usefulness continues throughout the whole year.

The Weekly Democrat-Gazette until Jan. 1, 1928, costs only $1.00 per year anywhere in the county—outside the county, $1.50 per year. After Jan. 1, 1927 the regular subscription rate of $1.50 per paper will be resumed to all. The special holiday bargain rates for the daily are $5.00 in advance for delivery by carrier in McKinney or $3.50 by mail.

Why not make a practical Christmas present or a practical New Years present by sending the Weekly Democrat-Gazette or the Daily Courier-Gazette to your loved ones or friends? No gift costing so little money would be more appreciated. Several have already made such Christmas presents. We invite others to follow their example. The Daily Courier-Gazette and Weekly Democrat-Gazette both feature local town and county news. You are invited to join our big circle of regular readers and subscribers of either publication that you may prefer. We will gladly welcome your name on either paper's subscription list.

It's in McKinney—for less.

Minimizing Business Risks

Business is a safer venture today than it was fifteen years ago because our knowledge of economics has greatly increased in that time. And it stands to reason that the more the executive learns about his own business and business as a whole from now on, the safer and more profitable his business will be.

This bank aims to serve you so effectively that we can add our knowledge to yours in helping you cut down business risks and, over a period of time, increase your net profit. On this basis we invite new accounts.

FIRST NATIONAL BANK

McKinney, Texas.

—— Your Bank Since 1869 ——

NO USED CAR IS BETTER THAN THE COMPANY WHO SELLS IT

We Recondition All Our Cars Thoroughly.

1927 Special Dodge Bros. Sedan, only been driven two months, about same as new car $875
$275 savings. *Phone 384.

1926 Dodge Bros. Coupe, perfect condtion, looks and runs like a brand new car, only a few months old; 6-ply General Balloons $825
Phone 384.

1925 Dodge Bros. Sedan, only been driven 9000 miles, finish and mechanically condition A-1 ..... $750

BALLARD MOTOR CO.

129-135 South Tenn. St. Phone 384.

WRECKER SERVICE—DAY OR NIGHT

TRADE HERE AND USE THE DIFFERENCE TO BUY OTHER NECESSITIES.

R. A. FURR'S

NORTH END GROCERY

Phone 709.

Ride the Interurban during Christmas Season and save!

TEXAS ELECTRIC RAILWAY

Round Trips 20% LESS than double One Way during December

CLOSED CAR BARGAINS

1—1926 Ford 2-door Sedan, duco paint, balloon tires.

1—1926 Chevrolet Coupe, balloon tires, disk wheels, bumpers, motometer.

1—1924 Durant Coupe, best buy in Texas.

1—1924 Dodge Sedan.

2—1925 Ford Sedans.

GASOLINE 17c GALLON

C. J. SMITH

The House of BARGAINS

BROWN'S OLD FASHIONED PEANUT BRITTLE

Made with Butter

Only 35 cts.

A full line of Hughes famous Chocolates and mixed Candies.

P. R. Westmoreland

"Everything Good to Eat."

Phone 94 and 95.

GENERAL AUTOMOBILE REPAIR WORK

Oils, Gas, Radiator Alcohol.

Watkins & Cockrell

North Tenn. St.

B T S I M

Trade Mark Registered

SMITH

Custom-made clothes for all the family.

GEO. W. SMITH

MAKES 'EM

DISKS SHARPENED
Auto Tops and Seat Covers.
Upholstering All Kinds.
Mowers Repaired.
SCOTTY'S SHOP
N. Tenn. St. Phone 1035.

Ford

Pleasure and Convenience

And a spirit of independence are possible if you own your own car.

Let us explain how easy it is for you to own a Ford.

UNIVERSAL CAR CO.

Phone 57.

Authorized

Sales Lincoln — and FORD — Service Fordson

BE CERTAIN

The lumber for your repair work or new home comes from our yard.

ELLIOTT LUMBER CO.

FRESH

When you set a tempting roast from the Allen's market before the family you are sure that their palates will be pleased and their appetites satisfied. But you know, also, that their health is safeguarded, for Meats bought here are fresh, giving the utmost in nutrition and body-building values.

Allen's Market

Phone 35.

MATERIALS THAT LAST

From the roofing material used on the roof of your home to the materials which give it a stable foundation—the quality of the material counts a great deal.

Every sack of cement and every shingle which goes out of the Wilcox Lumber yard has behind it a reputation of reliability that has been built up through years of efficient home-building service.

Let Wilcox Help You Plan.

WILCOX LUMBER CO.

Geo. Wilcox, Pres. and Gen'l Mgr.

Allen Anna — McKINNEY — Princeton Melissa

The 1927 Outlook Good- A Review of National, State, Local Conditions

The year of 1926 is closing as this paper is issued. As we enter the threshold of the new year, it is well to be retrospective in our thinking. In a national viewpoint we find that America as compared with the balance of the world has much to be thankful for. In reading current literature we find that the nation's business, the system, the National City bank of New York, and many other writers on the conditions of this nation, are all of one accord to the effect that 1926 while not a banner year, is one of the good years of this decade. Big business like the United States Steel corporation in its reports from time to time is considered as an index to the conditions in the nation's business.

The dividends declared as a Christmas gift to common stock holders over the United States amounted to $200,000,000 after several years of waiting was made possible by the net earnings of the last nine months. The report as it appeared in the press of the country recently closes as follows:

"Fortified by a steady improvement in earnings which for the three months ended Sept. 30, were the largest of any peacetime quarter in the company's history, the United States Steel Corporation closes the year in the strongest financial position it has ever enjoyed. Net earnings for the nine months exceeded $145,000,000 and for the full year are expected to rival the revenues of 1920 and 1923, the best years since the war.

Thursday's dividend action was viewed as a fitting celebration of the corporation's silver anniversary.

The State of Texas.

The general conditions over Texas despite local reports here and there are reassuring. The productions as a total is a great asset to the State and will stimulate 1927 activities.

The State, according to the Manufacturers' Record, Blue Book, and preliminary estimates of the Dallas News, and Farm and Ranch, all predict a much larger cotton yield in Texas this year than in 1925.

Collin County.

In this paper is a statement from the McKinney Chamber of Commerce that should be read by every person in Collin county because it deals in a local way with salient facts. The report of Mrs. Viola P. McGee is so interesting and should be inspiring to Collin county people. This report under the law was filed with the Collin County Commissioners Court, with A. & M. College of Texas and with the Extension Department of the government at Washington. This paper thinking of the importance of this report has arranged to give it in detail.

Mrs. McGee's Report.

Notice, as required, Mrs. McGee gives separate reports on the subjects with which she deals in her work:

Home Demonstration Club Woman's Report.

Gardening.

Garden Demonstrators, 552, Average number kinds vegetables grown in spring garden 488, Average number kinds vegetables grown in fall garden 300, Number demonstrators growing new vegetables, 384; Number individuals growing fall or winter gardens, 428. Number fruit trees and small fruits producing this year, 2,366; Number fruit trees and small fruits planted this year, 3,097; Number demonstrators spraying for diseases and insects, 31; Number demonstrators using fertilizer, 92.

Poultry

Poultry demonstrators, 159; Standard bred chickens owned by demonstrators January 1st, 2,199. Demonstrators purchasing standard bred fowls, 21; Chickens raised this year, 32,941; Demonstrators building poultry houses, 29; Demonstrators arranging breeding pens, 14; Demonstrators using incubators, 28; Demonstrators using trap nests, 16; Demonstrators using feeding and drinking devices, 75; Demonstrators spraying for insects and diseases, 66.

Dairy

Dairy demonstrators, 269; Number cows owned January 1st, 238. Cows added during year, 586; Gallons milk used at home, 28,900; Gallons milk sold, 3,919; Pounds cream sold, 1,467; Pounds butter made, 28,099; Pounds butter sold, 13,693; Pounds cottage cheese made, 275; Pounds cottage cheese sold 15; Pounds American cheese made, 20.

Foods and Nutrition.

Yeast breads, 390, Quick breads, 355; Cake, 479; Soup, 385, Salads, 481; Vegetables, 486; American cheese —; Cottage cheese 453; Milk dishes, 327; Egg dishes, 432; Meat dishes, 307, Ices, 224; Beverages, 78; Candy, 412; Cold school lunch, 279; Balancing meals, 211; Table service, 426; Child feeding, 41; Steam pressure cocker, 460, Hot school lunch, 94; Others, 55.

Food Preservation.

Quarts fruit canned, 38768; Founds fruit dried, 881; Quarts vegetables canned, 9090, Quarts vegetables dried, 1890; Quarts vegetables brined, 3012; Glasses of jelly, 6393; Quarts of preserves, 10882; Quarts pickles and relish, 14588; Quarts fruit juice, 452; Quarts vinegar, 373; Quarts meat canned, 12687; Pounds meat cured, 99,659. Pounds soap made, 21,922.

Clothing.

Number adult dresses made, 2174; Number childrens dresses or suits, 1324; Number bungalow aprons, 289; Number articles of underwear, 3068; Number garments renovated, 1939; Number hats made, 106; Number hats renovated, 39; Number dress forms, 16; Number articles household linen, 2341.

Home Improvement.

Yards beautified, 439. Bedrooms improved, 64; Other rooms improved, 45; Walls refinished, 73; Floors refinished, 55; Furniture refinished, 170; Kitchens improved, 27; Houses painted, 22; Houses screened, 42; Household accounts, 34; Entering kitchen contest, 2; Rag rugs, 185; Linoleum, 38. Lighting systems, 17; Improved lamps, 19; Water system, 14; Sewage system, 4; Washing machine, 16; Hand-power, 22; Bath tubs, 14; Kitchen sinks, 12; Kitchen cabinets, 21; Wheel trays, 21. Fireless cookers, 16; Small equipment, 23; Household linen, 715; Refrigerators, 23; Vacuum cleaners, 6; Cleaning equipment, (mops brushes, etc), 57; Pressure cookers, 29; Burpee seelers, 18. Electric or gasoline iron, 22; Folding ironing board, 11; Oil stoves, 28; Wood box on rollers, 3; High stool, 5.

Contest.

Garden contest, 328; Kitchen contest, 2.

M'KINNEY ROTARIANS ENTERTAINED YOUNG BOYS OF CITY WITH SPLENDID BANQUET HERE ON THURSDAY EVENING

In accordance with its annual custom, the McKinney Rotary club entertained about 50 or 60 young boys of the city at a banquet served at 7 o'clock Thursday evening, Dec. 23, in the First Christian church by a group of ladies under the chairmanship of Mrs. Sam J. Massie. These good ladies knew just what boys like in the way of Christmas edibles. They provided a sumptuous feast. No detail was overlooked.... in variety, quantity, quality or gracious service. Every boy sat beside his Rotarian host, who paid for the dinner and assisted the ladies in looking after the boys' entertainment.

Pres. Harvey J. Harris and secretary, Will J. Rhea, were at their best in guiding the program assisted by Ula Saunders.

Old Santa's Appearance.

At an opportune time, old Santa appeared with a brand new sock full of fruit, nuts and candies and distributed them to the boys amid much hilarity and joyous shouts and applauding.

Big "Baby" Member.

A new member was introduced into the club in the person of Prof. J. S. Carlisle, who has been the efficient superintendent of the McKinney public schools here for the past twelve years. During his able administration, assisted by his nearly 70 teachers, McKinney schools have advanced to a place of leadership among public schools of Texas cities regardless of size. McKinney High school stands now in the very front rank. Prof. Carlisle was introduced as the "baby" member Rotarian of the meeting by Rotarian Walter B. Wilson.

Dr. Charles W. Estes, Chairman.

Dr. Charles Estes, chairman of boys' work of the local club, was in charge of the program. He is a wonderful leader of boy activities in Rotary, church, Boy Scouting and school athletics. He introduced the following brief speakers who made suitable talks that entertained and inspired the boys and their fellow Rotarians: Prof. J. S. Carlisle, F. Dudley Perkins, Fletcher B. Pope and R. D. Kimbrough. Rotarians Carlisle, Perkins and Pope were asked to tell how they earned their first dollar. Their experiences as told, were enjoyed by the boys.

Teachers Present.

Besides Superintendent Carlisle, the following grammar school principals were present: Profs. Turnage, Scott, Taylor and Eddins.

Former Rotarians Present.

E. W. Rollow of Nashville, Tenn., and J. B. Crockett, two former McKinney Rotarians, were visitors present at this boys' banquet. They responded with brief talks.

Little Carrier Boys Present.

Nine of the eleven Daily Courier-Gazette little carrier boys were present as guests for the occasion. They were chaperoned to the banquet by J. M. Foster, Sr., circulation manager, who directs their work in distributing the paper every afternoon.

Mr. Foster has been with the Daily Courier-Gazette and Weekly Democrat-Gazette for more than 20 years. He is greatly beloved by the little boys, as well as highly esteemed by every other acquaintance among the grown people.

THE Inspiration of the NEW YEAR

—is upon us all, stimulating us to undertake new enterprises and engage in worth while adventures. Errors and foibles of the past will largely be dissipated and forgotten in the enthusiasm of the undertakings before us.

And this is as it should be. Nothing is more inspiring than a new start on a new year in which each is free to carve out for himself such a pathway toward success as he finds the means to do.

We are gratified over our business showing during the year just closed and more than all else we esteem the confidence and patronage of our many friends. We trust that you acknowledge a similar feeling toward us, and that in the work and wonders of the New Year we may continue to bear the same mutual help and inspiration to the greater good of us all in 1927.

J. P. DOWELL

"The Quality House"

May 1927 be Your Happiest

Collin County Has Good Crop Of Persimmons

W. C. Dysart, farmer living 10 miles north of McKinney, says that this year has been a bountiful one for persimmons in Collin county. The trees on his farm are very heavily fruited with a par-excellent quality of fruit—large, sweet and sound. Ripe persimmons are at their best at this particular time of the year. We are under obligations to Mr. Dysart for a delicious treat of this favorite wild growing, native fruit, of human beings, as well as of the marsupial or opossum animal family.

Mr. and Mrs. Dysart are a very sociable, hospitable couple who are always thinking of their friends when they have good things to eat and to spare.

UNCLE SAM POINTS WAY TO PROSPERITY SOUTHERN FARMER

The United States government, Department of Agriculture, has endorsed and expressed in a highly condensed form a "Safe Farming" program which is the epitome of efforts being made to encourage farmers in the South to diversify, conserve the soil and operate their farms for greater profit to themselves.

"Prosperity among Southern farmers will be widespread and permanent and contentment abound only when the 'safe-farming' methods so long known and advocated become general throughout the South," the government's agricultural program for the South indicates.

The program endorsed and promulgated by the federal department of agriculture is:

Grow ample food to feed the family.

Have a good summer and winter garden.

Grow all the pork needed for home use.

Keep enough cows to fully supply all family needs.

Raise all the poultry and eggs the family can use and some to sell.

Grow cane or sorghum for sirup where practicable.

Grow all the feed needed.

Make the purchase of feed for the work stock, poultry, hogs and cows unnecessary—a penny saved is worth two earned.

Keep up the fertility of the soil.

Grow cow-peas, vetch, soy beans, or other legumes to plow under.

Sow rye, wheat or oats in corn and cotton fields for pasture and to prevent winter washing and leaching.

Plant high-yielding quality cotton and care for it well.

Co-operate in reducing the number of varieties grown and in the orderly marketing of the crop.

One-fourth less cotton acreage in 1927, with average yields and present surplus would more than supply average requirements. Why plant more?

The farmer who follows the above plan will have a good living, keep out of debt, and have something left over at the end of each year. To aid in the "safe-farming" program the farmers have their county agricultural agent, home demonstration agent, State Agricultural college United States Department of Agriculture, marketing and other farm organizations. Write them. Use them.

Here is something new and different, Heinz rice flakes, a delightful breakfast food served with sugar and cream. Call for a box, Giles McKinney.

Mr. and Mrs Robert Wilson and wife of Dallas spent Sunday with Mr. Wilson's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Wallace C. Wilson.

Bakes your cakes in 1926 with White Billows Flour.

Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Merritt of Dallas spent Sunday with relatives here.

Fancy chocolates, Christmas mixed, peanut brittle and all kinds of candy, at Westmoreland's.

Mr. and Mrs. Willie Crouch and little daughter of Corsicana, spent Christmas in the home of Mr. Crouch's mother, Mrs. Lew Crouch in this city.

Just received, new shipment of flaked hominy. That good old fashion hominy that everybody likes. Include some in your next order, Giles McKinney.

Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Heard and Mrs. Goode of Dallas, spent Christmas in the home of Mr. Heard's parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. P. Heard in this city.

Dr. Phillips' oranges, grape fruit and tangerines, are best, at Westmoreland's.

Louis Holder, a student of the State University, Austin, is spending the holidays with his mother, Mrs. L. A. Sears.

EGGS! EGGS!

Hens if wormy or sapped by lice and blue bugs lay very few eggs. They hatch badly, are subject to disease. Give them STAR PARASITE REMOVER in water or feed it. It will rid them of the destructive parasites. Improve their health, reduce disease, and increase egg production or money back.

T. L. (Lou) ROBERTS

333 East Va. St. McKinney, Texas